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Notitia Parliamentaria:
OR, AN
HISTORY
OF THE
COUNTIES, CITIES, and BOROUGHs
Make **IN** *Gwynne*
ENGLAND and WALES.

SHEWING
What Boroughs were anciently Parli-
amentary, but now difus'd. What do at
this Day return to Parliament. Their
Antiquities, Charters, Privileges, Lords,
Churches, Monasteries, Government, Num-
ber of Electors, &c.

To which are subjoin'd,
Lists of all the Knights, Citizens, and Burgeffes,
(as far as can be collected from Records) from the
first Summons to Parliament, to this Time.

With an ACCOUNT of
The Roman Towns in every Shire. What
Nobility have been distinguish'd with Titles from
each County. The Number of Parishes, Market-
Towns, &c. therein.

The whole extracted from MSS and printed Evi-
dences. Attempted in an Alphabetical Order.

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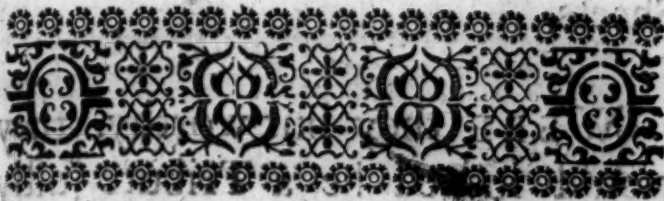
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WILLIAM LOWNDES, Esq;

*One of the Secretaries of his
MAJESTY'S TREASURY,*

AND
*A Member of the Honourable House
of Commons.*



ERMIT me, SIR, a-
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are daily submitting to
your Judgment their
Labours for the Publick, to request

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TO you, SIR, I owe the Gift
of a large Extract of Records, and
the frequent Perusal of many o-
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Care and Industry, you have col-
lated.

THESE, SIR, and many other
Favours, conferr'd on me by
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Neighbourhood whereof I am ex-
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THAT Heaven may long preserve so valuable a Life, no one more sincerely wishes, than,

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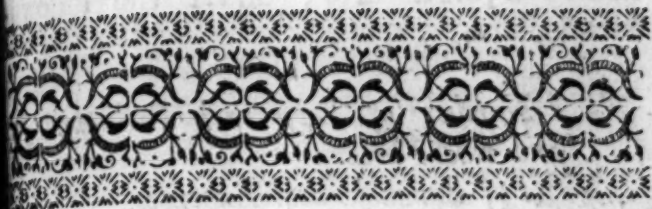
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WHEN I publish'd the first Volume of this Essay, I was induced to flatter my self, that the earnest Invitation given to Gentlemen, (especially those that serve in Parliament; *whom I entreated that they would be pleas'd to give themselves the Trouble, or depute others, to transmit me an Account of their respective Boroughs, out of their Archives*) might have so far prevail'd, as to have enabled me, by this Time, to have brought my Work to great Forwardness, which would have encourag'd me to proceed cheerfully in it: For, as I then inform'd them, *without such Assistances, it would be too difficult and expensive a Task to be prosecuted, unless the Publick would be contented to receive little more than bare Lists of Representatives, which I have long since compleated.* At the same Time that I desir'd those Helps, I propos'd, by way of Introduction, to treat of several Parliamentary Matters, of great Curiosity, little

little enquir'd into, under the following Heads, viz.

The Number of Days each Parliament sat and where held.

Writs of Summons and Expences.

The ancient Method of electing Members.

With a List of the Speakers, and what Place they represented.

But this (as I then advertis'd) being only a Presumption of receiving the Encouragement, (which it was not unreasonable to imagine I might have met with) and of which all that I propos'd was grounded, I hope I may, on an universal Disappointment in all these Views, stand for the future discharg'd and acquitted from the Execution of this Design, at least with so much Exactness as I intended: The Drudgery and Expence of which, must be apparent to all who impartially consider it.

BUT notwithstanding so many Inconveniences as I have sustain'd, and so many Difficulties as I have met with, I should be still induc'd to go on, could I receive any reasonable Assurance of succeeding in my Enquiries, or have the least Grounds to believe I might procure a sufficient Information of the modern State of our Boroughs, in order to a Description of them: For tho' I have, from Extracts of Records, been enabled to speak of their Antiquities, Privileges, &c. (which Part of my Work will, no doubt,

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...doubt, be esteem'd by the Curious as the
...more valuable) yet I am sensible the least
...error deliver'd in the modern State of Places,
...which must be obvious to every One that
...knows them) may in abundance of Persons
...Opinions lessen, if not altogether overthrow
...other Authorities, and occasion several
...condemn and blast the Credit of the whole
...Undertaking, without making the least Al-
...lowance for my being impos'd on, either by
...wrong Information, or for not receiving
...any at all; tho' in which first Respect, as
...presume nothing herein deliver'd, will de-
...serve Censure, so I am satisfy'd I shall be
...quitted in the other by all impartial Per-
...sons, when I acquaint them, that had one
...five of my Letters been answer'd, I should
...have lain under no Difficulties on this Score;
...having, for near these twelve Months last
...past, been very importunate with all Gen-
...tlemen, as well Strangers as Friends, that I
...conceiv'd proper to address my self to, to
...transmit me an Account of the Boroughs, &c.
...contain'd in this Volume. To several Persons
...I was not contented with writing once or
...twice, but frequently repeated my Applica-
...tion to them, notwithstanding their Neg-
...lect; which cannot be excus'd by alledging,
...that any Questions I ask'd, were too difficult
...for the Parties to resolve, when I so parti-
...cularly put down my Queries, adapted to
...each Place, in general to this Effect: *Quere,*
...*How the Church or Chapel dedicated? Number*
...*of Houses and Electors? If the Town is incorpo-*
...*rated, by what Charter? Quere, In whom is*
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the Manour vested? And if in the Crown, &c. what Quit-Rent is payable? With an Account of the Situation, and a Description of the publick Edifices, as Churches, &c. But in this Respect I shall not give others or my self, any Trouble for the future by depending too far on them, having already spent too much Time in fruitless Expectances; to which it is owing, that this second Part was not publish'd, or even prepar'd for the Press, 'till about Michaelmas by which Time, I propos'd, it should have been quite printed off.

TO these Disappointments it is likewise owing, that it comes abroad, in some Respects, imperfect; and confesses less Care than I intended otherwise to have bestow'd on it; for so very indifferent was I become, that, had it not been for the sake of my native County of *Dorset*, I had scarce persever'd in my Undertaking; at least I should not have labour'd to describe Places in so particular a Manner, but that, as I was inclin'd to be very exact there, so I was willing to endeavour the same in the rest of the Counties in this Volume: And indeed a chief Motive hereunto was, the great Assistance I met with from the Reverend Mr. *Michael Peach* of *Dartmouth*, in the County of *Devon*, to whom, upon applying my self for an Account of that Borough, (though an entire Stranger to me, and one I never heard of, 'till after the Publication of the first Volume in *January* last) he was pleas'd

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pleas'd immediately to answer my first Letter, wrote to him about the latter End of February; and not only to assure me of his Assistance in his own Town of *Dartmouth*, but to offer it in other Boroughs in that County, which he afterwards very kindly perform'd. I was really, for some Time, averse to be so troublesome; but the other Gentlemen I sent to in that County, failing me, I was oblig'd to accept of his Friendship; which I confess to be beyond what I ever experienc'd: For he did not only confine himself to *Devonshire*, but was pleas'd to use his good Offices in *Cornwall*. I think my self in Gratitude oblig'd to own this, and that 'tis purely from the Information he gave me, that I drew up the better half of the *Devonshire*-Boroughs, and three or four of those in *Cornwall*; which were more than I could obtain an Account of from Gentlemen in that whole County, tho' I wrote Letters to Persons dwelling in, or very near most of the Boroughs there.

HOW tedious and discouraging such Incommunicativeness is to Persons engag'd in these Studies, those who are conversant with them, can best judge; and how great an Inducement it is to, and no less Pretence for Uncorrectness, and to get rid of such a Task, which I should have with more Hasten, and less Care, dispatch'd, had I not been prevented by Mr. *Peach*'s Courteousness, and of one or two kind Friends in *Dorsetshire*; whose Correspondence prevail'd upon me to

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alter the Resolution I had taken to that Purpose, and wait the Result of their Enquiries.

AS this is only an Essay, or Specimen, to shew of what Use such a Work might be, if well executed; so, since there is so little Prospect of my bringing it to its design'd Conclusion, I having already done my Part, recommend it to those whose Abilities, &c. will enable them better to perfect it as it ought; I being, thro' my weak State of Health, altogether depriv'd of the chief Advantage that would qualify me for this Undertaking, which is travelling over *England*, and visiting in Person the respective Places here treated of: And this I should be very glad to do, had I Strength to perform it, no one having a greater Inclination; and it has been no small Concern to me, that formerly, when I had some Opportunities of this Nature, I was not careful in preserving several Notes and Observations taken in my Journeys; or that I had not, 'till within these three Years, entertain'd Thoughts of this Design; whereby I might have begun earlier to furnish my self with proper Materials for this Purpose. But as my Genius ever led me to be curious in making Remarks of Places; so, by the particular Notices I took of Towns where I have been, it has been my good Fortune to retain several Idea's of the Buildings, &c. which have been no small Assistance to me in describing them. However, it is

is certain, that the best related Accounts fall infinitely short of Draughts, wherefore I could wish Gentlemen would be at the Expence of them, there being nothing that would more illustrate a Work of this Nature. And had such a Method been taken an hundred Years ago, it would, in most of our Cities, Boroughs, &c. have preserv'd several magnificent Buildings, now either reduc'd to Ruin, or entirely demolish'd; and rescu'd from Oblivion divers Churches and Castles, for which many of our small Boroughs were remarkable, which now scarce retain a bare Tradition of them, and can only boast and lament their fallen Grandeur; tho' 'tis probable, that the very Names of some of these are, by length of Time, lost and bury'd with their Ruins, as we may argue from the Dedications of several Churches and Chapels; which I find so far forgotten in several Boroughs, that had I not discover'd them from old Deeds and Wills, I could have receiv'd no Satisfaction from the Places themselves. I am not ignorant, that my Discoveries of them, and some short Accounts I have given of old *Romish* Saints, may be traduc'd, and my self suspected to retain a superstitious Affecti-
on for their Persons, as well as their Memo-
ries, which I do not; tho' I cannot but think their Piety may justly recommend them to the Esteem of all, how much soe-
ver prejudic'd against them.

I MUST needs own it would be a Sa-
tisfaction to me to recover the Names of the
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Churches, &c. in our Cities and chief Towns: In order to this, I should have been glad to have exhibited what I have collected of this Sort; but I have too much Reason to despair of reaping any Benefit from this Method. This likewise makes me omit publishing herein the Lists I have collected of *Speakers of the House of Commons, and mentioning the Places they serv'd for;* which I chuse to defer 'till I see what Reception this second Attempt meets with; wherein I shall finally try whether my Sollicitation will prevail, and whether Gentlemen will impart Materials for carrying on this Work, or rendering what is already compleated, more perfect and correct. If they are dispos'd to do this, they may easily judge what will be proper, and perceive, by the Method hitherto taken, what I chiefly want.

W H A T they therefore will be pleas'd to transmit, I desire may be with as much Expedition as possible, especially in the Counties of *Essex, Gloucester, Hereford, Hertford, Huntingdon, Kent, Lancaster, Leicester, Lincoln, Middlesex, and Monmouth;* which I desire may be, before the latter End of *March*, left with the Bookseller, for whom this Volume is printed, (I designing, God willing, then to begin them if I herein succeed;) their Friendship shall, if desir'd, be publickly acknowledg'd. I am oblig'd to solicit an Information in these and the ensuing Counties, because I may not have again, in a considerable Time, any Opportunity

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tunity of going to *Oxford* or *London*, to search into Records, or of applying my self in Person to several worthy Gentlemen of both those Places, whose Friendship I have greatly experienc'd, but whose Names I am forbid to mention. I must in general say, that on my last Journey to *Oxford*, which is very near twelve Months ago, all the Gentlemen I apply'd to there, most readily contributed their Assistance, and did not fail to communicate what they were inform'd of, or could learn, relating to the Counties here treated of; which being more immediately in View, it must be suppos'd I furnish'd my self more particularly with Materials for them, as I did likewise at *London*, in the little Time I had to spend in *May* last, at the Offices there, viz. the *Tower*, *Prerogative Office*, *Rolls Chapel*, &c. To the Keepers of which I am bound to repeat my Thanks, as I am to several Friends that assisted me in my Searches, and others that lent me several valuable MSS, particularly my good Friend Mr. *George Holmes*, Deputy Record-keeper at the *Tower*; who, considering my Indisposition, and that I could come thither only in Afternoons, and then but at uncertain Times, very kindly indulg'd me in staying and attending there when I could come; and also gave me all the Assistance he was capable of in other Respects.

I T was owing to the Information he gave of the Imperfectness (as I have already signify'd in my first Vol.) of it, that I did not take

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Pryn's List of Members implicitly to the 12th of *Edw.* IV; and could I have had Leisure to pursue his Advice, to examine all the Bundles of Returns and Clause-Rolls, I might have made many more Corrections and Additions to *Pryn*; from whose Works, if I have inserted Members Names, as return'd to Parliament oftner than those Choices happen'd, I hope my following his Authority may excuse, if not vindicate me, since it requires a strict Search into the Sessions of our Parliaments to set these Matters right, which may be done in another Volume; in the mean While, if I have err'd, it being only in repeating Members Names in some Parliaments, *temp. Edw.* I, II, and III, my Mistake may be the more excusable, since it renders the ancient Lists compleat, especially as to Knights of the Shire; in the Catalogue of whose Names I had rather be redundant than defective, and should have been glad could I have been in like manner supply'd with those of later Date, which my Endeavours have not been wanting to procure, and herein have I so far succeeded as to obtain perfect Lists of all King *James* the 1st's Parliaments, except the 12th, which I despair of, and have also supply'd some Omissions in other Reigns, tho' I have not been so fortunate as to settle entirely the Occasion of some new Choices of the 13th of *Charles* the II'd; otherwise I presume these Lists are as perfect as they can well be made from the publick Offices, &c.

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AND 'tis to be wish'd any private Collections, or Entries in Town-Books, would make any farther Supply, which I should be glad to receive, with any other Accounts, as aforesaid, in the remaining Counties, or by way of Correction to those which are already done.

WHAT I have farther to offer, is in answer to an Objection or two, with which I shall conclude.

THE first is, That I ought to have given a List of this present Parliament now sitting. To this, I answer, That so many Alterations happen in the Interval of a Parliament in several Cities, Counties, and Boroughs, that should I have attempted it, 'twould have been accidental, if almost any Place had happen'd compleat at the End of the Sessions, without varying from the first Returns, which are here set down in the Year of Summons in each respective Reign, and the Alterations put in the Margin: And as this is the Reason why 'tis omitted, so there being a Vacancy left after most Places, this Defect may, by those who judge it such, be supply'd by writing these Names into the Book with a Pen.

THE next Objection made by my Friends, is, That by publishing only five or six Counties at a Time, I shall go on so slowly, that the Work will be very tedious and

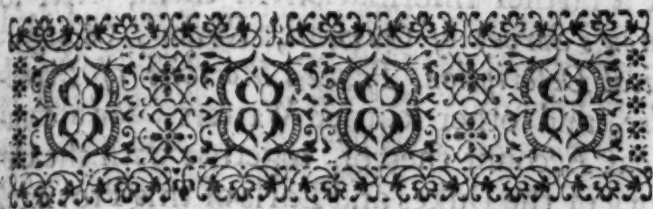
and voluminous. To which I beg Leave to reply, That I presume the Bulk of what is here printed, will in some Measure excuse my breaking off here. Besides, as these six Counties contain near a fourth part of our Representatives, and send more Parliament Men than the next twelve that follow in Course of this Design, so it may be imagin'd that they will come into the same Compass, as indeed there may three times as many Shires as compriz'd in this, if I am disappointed of the Satisfaction I promise my self, of receiving the Information I desire; which must recommend the Use of the same Method as intended, at the latter End of this Book, and prescribe, if I at all go on to compleat this Essay, Reviews, Supplements, &c.

Whaddon Hall, Dec.

1715.

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THE ancient Inhabitants of this *Camden's* County, with those of *Devon-Brit*, p. 2. *shire*, stil'd by the *Romans* *Danmonii*, were, during their Government, included in the same Province, and continu'd a particular District 'till the Reign of King *Athelstan*, who divided them, appointing each their separate Bounds, which were chiefly terminated by the River *Tamar*, on the East and West Sides thereof, according to this Verse,

Hinc Anglos, illic cernit Tamara Britannos. *Prince's*
But the Compass of my Design giving me *Worthies of*
B *Devon.p.1.*
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Leave only to hint at these Matters, I shall for a farther Information in them, refer to *Carew's Survey of Cornwall*, *Risdon's Chorographical Description*, *Prince's Worthies of Devonshire*, and other learned Writers, for a compleat Account thereof, together with the History of the Dukes and Earls of this Province, who were mostly the same Persons before the Conquest, as some of these Writers observe. I shall therefore here only note, that *Cornwall* is so nam'd, partly from the Form, and partly from its People; for shooting itself into the Sea like a Horn, which the *Britains* call'd *Kerne*, and the *Latins* *Cornu*, and being inhabited by them whom the *Saxons* call'd *Walli*, of these two compounded Words it takes its Name of *Cornwallia*; not to trouble the Reader with the Fable of *Corineus*.

*Speed's
Maps, p. 21.*

*Goodwin of
Bishops, p.
389.* As to Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction, this County belong'd, on the settling of Bishops in the Time of the *Saxons*, about the Year 640, to the See of *Dorchester* near *Oxford*, founded by *Kingils*, the first Christian King of the *Saxons*. But a Bishop being fix'd, *Anno* 660, at *Winchester*, all the West Country was allotted to the Government of that new See, and continu'd a Part of it, 'till the Monastery of *Shirburn* in *Dorsetshire*, *Anno* 705, was made a Cathedral Church by King *Ina*, when it was included within the Compass of that Diocese for two hundred Years, until the Year 905, at which Time *Plegmund*, Arch-bishop of *Canterbury*, at the Command of *K. Edward the elder*, erected three new Cathedral Churches, viz. one at *Wells* in *Somersetshire*,

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shire, another in *Devonshire*, and a third in *Cornwall*, which last was, for a while, at *St. Petrocks* in *Bodmin*; and from thence, about thirty Years after, remov'd by King *Athelstan* to *St. Germans*, where the Bishop of *Cornwall* had his Seat 'till *Edward the Confessor's* Goodwin of Bishops, p. 395. Reign, when both Sees, *Anno* 1049, were translated to *Exeter*, where the Cathedral has been fix'd ever since, and both these Counties continu'd subject thereto. Whereof in this of *Cornwall* are estimated 161 Parish-Churches, besides divers Chapels of Ease; the Number of Market-Towns is said to be twenty seven, and of Religious Houses, before the *Reformation*, fifteen. Camden's Brit. p. 15. Tanner's Notit. Monast. p. 30.

As to *Roman* Towns, here are little Remains, there being only reckon'd in *Ptolemy Uzella*, now *Lostwithiel*, and *Voluba*, by some reputed *Falmouth*, and by others *Grampound*, and those of no great Note; but for Parliamentary Boroughs and Corporations this Shire greatly abounds; for besides the present Towns now returning to Parliament, which are far more numerous than in any other County, (under each of which I shall speak respectively) here are these following Corporations, viz. *Falmouth*, *Market-Few*, *Pensance*, and *Padstow*, which last is an antient Borough, as *Batreux-Castle*, *Croftbole*, *Millbrook*, and *Stratton*, appear by Records to have been, in which all of them occur by the Name of Boroughs, tho' none of them ever sent Members to Parliament, or were ever summon'd so to do, except I should allow of that of *Polruan*, or *Polruan*, a small Fisher-Village

Pryn's
Brev. Parl.
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near *Fowey*, which, *Anno 1339*, (14 *Edw. 3.*) sent once a Merchant, or Ship-Owner, nam'd *John Shakelocke*, as their Representative to treat of maritime Affairs, at a Council at *Westminster* (and not to a Parliament;) otherwise no Returns have been antiently made for above six or seven Boroughs in *Cornwall* before *Edward* the VIth's Time, to whose peculiar Favour. and Queen *Elizabeth's*, the major Part of the Boroughs owe their Indulgence of this Privilege. As to their being so created, is no Doubt of early Date, tho' I cannot trace all of them out, but must conclude with *Carew*, that it was thro' the Favour of its Earls, &c. more than any Merit or Growth in Wealth, Inhabitants, or good Building, that they were thus imprivilig'd by Charters or Patents, which being made by their Lords or Owners, and so transmitted to the respective Bodies, were thro' Negligence mostly lost, except where the Burgeses or Inhabitants got their Grants confirm'd by Royal Authority, which occasion'd a Recital of their Liberties by *Inspeximus*, and preserv'd the Original thereof, which I have fortunately recover'd from Records, of about half these Boroughs, as is shewn in the History of them, which may help to guess at the rest, and intimate which of the Earls, &c. were the greatest Benefactors to their Demefne Lordships in this Respect, where 'tis plain they exercis'd great Jurisdiction, and likewise throughout the whole County; all which being held of them, was so considerable a Perquisite, that it occasion'd the annexing

annexing of their Title, &c. to the Heir of the Crown, *temp. Edw. III.* as may be seen at large in all our Histories, to which I shall refer, only giving the Names of these Earls, from the Conquest to the aforesaid Conjunction, at which Time, we are told by some Authors, tho' perhaps without great Authority, that one *Candorus*, or *Cadocus*, was Earl ^{Carew's Survey of Cornwall, p. 78.} at the *Norman Invasion*, who had Issue another *Candor*, whose Daughter and Heir *Agnes*, was marry'd to *Reginald* Earl of *Bristol*, base Son to *Henry I.* However, 'tis certain, if here was such an Earl, the *Conqueror* soon dispossest him; for he, very shortly after his coming to *England*, advanc'd his Half-Brother, *Robert* Earl of *Moreton*, to this ^{Dugd. Bar. Vol. 1. p. 24.} Earldom, in which he was succeeded by his Son *William*, who, taking Part against King *Henry I.* lost his Honour, the King seizing on his Inheritance, and banishing him the Realm, *Anno 1104*, and, as *Carew* says, investing his Son, the beforemention'd *Reginald*, therewith; but, according to *Camden*, ^{Camden's Brit. p. 14.} he had this Honour by the Gift of *Henry II.* while he was making Preparations for War against King *Stephen*; or rather, as *Dugdale* says, ^{Dugd. Bar. Vol. 1. p. 610.} he was made Earl of *Cornwall* by King *Stephen*, *Anno 1140*, on falling off from *Maud* the Empress's Interest (Mother to *Henry II.*) he departed this Life at *Chertsey*, *Anno 1175*, 21 *Henry II.* and was bury'd at *Reading*, without lawful Issue male; whereupon *Henry II.* assigning certain Lands to his Daughters, reserv'd this Earldom for his young Son *John*, then but nine Years of Age;

*Camden's
Brit. p. 14.*

Age; upon whom *Richard I.* bestow'd it, with other Counties; but *John* coming to the Crown of *England*, his second Son *Richard* had this Honour conferr'd upon him by his Brother King *Henry III.* This *Richard* was a powerful Prince, of great Valour and Conduct, and very rich: He was chosen King of the *Romans* Anno 1257. He founded the famous Monastery of *Hales*, Co. *Gloucester*, where he was bury'd. He dy'd April 2.

*Kennet's
Parochial
Antiquity,
p. 340.*

1272, 56 *Henry III.*, and was succeeded by his Son *Edmund*, who departed this Life Oct. 1. 1300, at *Ashbridge*, Co. *Bucks*, where he had founded a Monastery. His Heart and Bowels were bury'd there, near the Heart of *St. Thomas of Cantilupe*, Bishop of *Hereford*, (for which this Earl had prepar'd a Repository, made of exquisite Art, on the North Side of the Choir) and his Body at *Hales*, near his Father; whereupon his large Inheritance, he having no Children, came to the King as next Heir; after which, *Cornwall* was united to the Crown 'till *Edward II.*, who had large Possessions given by his Father in these Parts, upon his Accession to the Crown, by Charter dated Aug. 6. 1307, granted to Sir

*Camden's
Britan. p.
15.*

*Ro. Cart.
A. 1. E. 8.
n. 24.*

*Stow's
Chronicles,
p. 216.*

Piers Gaveston, Kt. the whole County of *Cornwall*, making him Earl thereof; which he lost, together with his Life, June 19. 1311, 5 *E. II.*, being seiz'd by the Barons for corrupting the King, and beheaded by them, at a Place call'd *Blacklow-Heath*, near *Warwick*; above two Years after which, his Body was translated from the Convent of *Friars Preachers* at *Oxford*, to which Place it was

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at first convey'd, and bury'd Jan. 2. 1314,
in the Church of the *Fryars Preachers* at
Langley Co. Hertf. newly founded by the
King, to pray for his Soul; after which, the
last Title of this Earldom expir'd in *John*
of *Eltham*, younger Son to the aforesaid King
Edward II; to whom his Brother, *Edward*
III, Anno 1329, gave the whole County of
Cornwall; who being young, and dying with-
out Issue, the said King *Edward III*, by Act
of Parliament in the eleventh Year of his
Reign, Anno 1336, erected *Cornwall* into a
Dukedom, and invested *Edward* his eldest
Son, Prince of *Wales*, therewith; since when,
this Title is successively incorporated in the
King's eldest Son, and hath been so enjoy'd
ever since; and for Default of Issue, remains
in the Crown it self. The Patent of creating
the aforesaid Prince *Edward*, call'd, from his
stupendious Performances in Chivalry, the
Black Prince, being printed in *Selden's Titles*
of Honour, pag. 661, may there be seen.

The Number of Days allotted to the
Knights and Burgeffes of this Shire, in re-
pairing to, and returning from great Coun-
cils and Parliaments, at the Places where
they were usually held, are as follows. At
Cambridge 6 Days, *Coventry* 8, *Tork* 11 and
12, *Gloucester* 4 and 5, *Leicester* 6, *Lincoln* 9,
London and *Westminster* 7 and 3, *Northampton*
6, in Snow or Rain 10, *Nottingham* 7 and an
half, *Salisbury* 3, and *Winchester* 5 Days.

EDWARD

EDWARD I.

- 23 P. at West. Will. de Champernon, Reginald de Bevill.
 25 at West. Reginald de Beville, John de Lambron.
 26 at York, Roger Bevill, Tho. de Predies.
 28 at Lond. Roger de Carmanow, Rob. Giffard.
 29 at Linc. Reginald de Bevill, Ric. Giffard.
 30 at Lond. Roger de Carmenou, Michael de Petryt.
 30 at West. Roger de Carminou, Ric. le Pont.
 33 at West. Will. de Botereux, Tho. Lertedekne.
 34 at West. Reginald de Bevill, Rob. Giffard.
 35 at Carlisle, Hen. de Bodrigan, John de Trejagu.

EDWARD II.

- 1 P. at Northton, Roland Cockyn, Ric. de Hiwhis.
 2 at New Sarum, Reginald Boyville, James Peverel.
 2 at West. Reginald de Boyvill, Tho. Noell.
 4 at Winch. Hen. de Chambernon, Ric. de Hywifh.
 5 at Lond. Hen. de Chambernon, Ric. de Hywifh.
 6 at West. Walter de Cornwall, James Peverel.
 6 at West. Tho. le Ercecliacone, John de Trejagu.
 6 at West. Will. Bassett, John Lertedekne.
 7 at York, Tho. le Erceclakne, Edw. le Erceclakne.
 8 at West. Will. de Ferrers, Tho. Lertedekne.
 8 at York, Ranulph de Albo Monasterio, Ric. de Srapledon.
 9 at Linc. Tho. le Chaunteler, Hen. de Pengersek.
 12 at York, Baldwin de Beauprey, Odo Le Erteclakne.
 12 at York, Edward Lercedekne, John de Trejagu.
 15 at York, Will. de Botreaux, Tho. Lercedekne.
 17 at West. Odo de Bodrighan, Will. Hureward.
 18 at Lond. Robert de Lestre, John Billoun.
 19 at West. Ric. de Hewyfh, Nic. Giffard.
 20 at West. Rob. Bendyn, John Billoun.

EDWARD III.

- 1 P. at Linc. John de Lambron, Hen. de Pengersek.
 1 at West. Rob. Bendyn, John Billonn.
 2 at New Sarum, Ralf Bloyon, John Billonn.
 2 at York, Simon de Trewythosa, Andrew Hamely.
 2 at Northton, Tho. le Erceclakne, Ric. de Bokhampton.

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- 2 P. at York, John de Trejagu, John de Valletort.
- 4 at West. John de Aldestowe, Tho. Lercedekne.
- 4 at Winch. Rob. de Lestre, John de Aldestowe.
- 5 at West. Ric. de Hywisch, Reginald de Botreaux.
- 6 at West. Simon de Trewythosa, John de Aldestowe.
- 6 at West. Will. Basset, John Lercedekne.
- 8 at West. Will. Basset, John Crochard.
- 9 at York, Ralf Bloion, John Mauntugrun.
- 10 Council at Nott. Walter de Carminoe, John de Aldestowe.
- 10 P. at West. John Lercedekne, Ralf Bloion.
- 11 at West. Ric. Hywisch, Will. de Bodrigan.
- 12 at West. Michael de Trenewyth, Andrew Hamelye.
- 12 Council at Northton. Michael de Trenewyth, John de Aldestowe.
- 12 P. at West. Edw. Lercedekne, John de Trejagu.
- 13 at West. Ric. de Cerseaux, John le Petit.
- 14 at West. Ric. de Bachampton.
- 14 at West. John de Trejagu, Michael Petit.
- 14 at West. John de Trejagu, John Arundel.
- 15 at West. Ranulph de Spekote, Ric. Cerseaux.
- 17 at West. John de Arundel, Walter Bluet.
- 18 at West. John Whalisbron, John de Tremaen.
- 20 at West. John de Tremaen, James de Trewenhard.
- 21 at West. John Tremaen, John Riskarrek.
- 22 at West. John de Riskarrek, John de Carminou.
- 24 at West. John Billoon, Rob. Lestre.
- 25 at West. John de Treneweneth, Will. Chamond.
- 26 at West. Ralf de Trenewenerh, Will. Chamond.
- 26 Council at West. Ric. de Hywisch.
- 27 Council at West. John de Whalesbrewe.
- 28 P. at West. Will. de Trewynnard, John Tremaen.
- 29 at West. Ric. Cergeaux, John Tremaen.
- 31 at West. John Hameli, John Tremeyn.
- 31 at West. Will. Polglas, John Tremayn.
- 34 at West. John Tremayn, John Hamely.
- 34 at West. Ric. Cerseaux, jun. John Tremayn.
- 36 at West. John Hamly, John Tremayn.
- 37 at West. Ric. Cerseaux, jun. Tho. de Carnfinowe.
- 38 at West. Ric. Cerseaux, jun. Nic. de Tamworth.
- 40 at West. Nic. Wainford, John Tremayn.
- 42 at West. Walter de Penherhard, Rob. Tresulien.
- 43 at West. John Chedyok, Tho. Brudeport.
- 43 at West. Otto Bodrugan, John Tremaen.

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- 45 P. at West. Will. Brun, John de Trenewyth.
 45 Council at Winch. John de Trenewith.
 47 P. at West. John de Albo Monasterio, Will. Brun.
 50 at West. Nic. Wampford, John Bevyll de Wolneston.
 51 at West. Will. Fitz-Water, Will. Lambron.

RICHARD II.

- 1 P. at West. Ric. Cerseaux, Nic. Wampford.
 2 at Glouc. John de Kerwod, *Chr.* John Beoyvill.
 2 at West. Nic. Wainford, Tho. Peverel.
 3 at West. Will. Talbot, John Bevyll.
 4 at Northampton, Warin Lercedekne, John de Kentwood, *Chr.*
 5 at West. Ric. Sergeaux, John Kentwode.
 5 at West. Warin Arcedekne, *Chr.* Ric. Sergeaux, *Chr.*
 6 at West. Ric. Sergeaux, *Chr.* Michael Lercedekne.
 6 at West. Warin Arcedekne, *Chr.* Ric. Sergeaux, *Chr.*
 7 at West. Ralf Carminowe, Will. Lamborne.
 7 at New Sarum, Otto Bodrygan, John Tregorrek.
 8 at West. Ralf Carmynowe, *Chr.* Tho. Fychet, *Chr.*
 9 at West. Ric. Sergeaux, Will. Talbot, *Chr.*
 10 at West. Ralf Carmino, John Bevyll.
 11 at West. Hen. Ilcombe, *Chr.* John Roskymer.
 12 at Cambridge, Will. Lambron, *Chr.* John Roskymer, *Chr.*
 13 at West. Will. de Threlkeld, *Chr.* Amand Monceaux.
 13 at West. Ric. Gergeaux. Will. Lambron.
 14 at West. John Roskymer, *Chr.* Michael Lercedekne.
 15 at West. John Colshull, John Treverbyn.
 16 at West. John de Treverthyam, jun. John Treverbin.
 17 at West. John Colshull, John Treverbin.
 18 at West. Hen. Ivelcombe, John Chenduit de Bordenham.
 20 at West. John Arundell, John Coleshull.
 21 at West, John Arundell, John Trevarthyam.

HENRY IV.

- 1 P. at West. Will. Lambron, *Chr.* John Colshull.
 2 at West. John Treverthyam, *Chr.* Will. Bodrigan.
 3 at West. Will. Talbot, *Chr.* John Whalesbreme.

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- 5 *P.* at West. John Arundel, *Chr.* John Chendut.
- 6 at Coventry, John Arundel, *Chr.* Ralf Botreaux.
- 8 at West. John Arundel, *Chr.* Nic. Wampford.
- 9 at Gloucester, John Chendut, Ric. Trevaynyon.
- 11 at West. Ralf Botreaux, John Herle.
- 12 at West. John Arundell, John Urban.

HENRY V.

- 1 *P.* at West. John Wilbury, John Treleiny.
- 2 at Leicester, John Arundell, Kt. John Colshill.
- 2 at West. Will. Talbot, John Colshull.
- 3 at West. John Arundell, Will. Bodrugan.
- 5 at West. John Arundell, Tho. Arundell.
- 7 at West. John Arundell, *Chr.*
- 8 at West. Will. Bodrugan, *Chr.* John Tretherf.
- 8 at West. John Chenduit de Bodamian, Ric. Trevaignon.
- 19 at West. John Trelanny, *Chr.* John Arundell.

HENRY VI.

- 1 *P.* at West. John Arundell, Kt. John Arundell, Esq;
- 2 at West. Ralf Botreaux, *Chr.* John Arundell, *Chr.*
- 3 at West. Ralf Botreaux, John Herle.
- 4 at Leicester, Will. Bodrugan, *Chr.* Tho. Carminow.
- 5 at West. Ralf Botreaux, Kt. John Arundell.
- 8 at West. Will. Bodrugan, *Chr.* Tho. Arundell, *Chr.*
- 9 at West. Will. Bodrugan, Kt. Reinfr. Arundell.
- 13 at West. Tho. Arundell, Kt. Tho. Carmynowe.
- 15 at Cambridge, John Tretherf, Nic. Ayshton.
- 20 at West. Reinfr. Arundell, Kt. Tho. Bodrugan, Esq;
- 25 at Cambridge, Hugh Courtenay, John Kelly.
- 27 at West. Tho. Bodulgat, Ric. Tregoy, Esq;
- 28 at West. Hugh Courtney, Kt. John Trenewyth, Esq;
- 31 at Reading, John Colshull, John Trevilian.
- 33 at West. Tho. Bodulgate, Esq; Will. Bere.

EDWARD IV.

- 7 *P.* at West. Alvered Cornburgh, Tho. Trethewy.
- 12 at West. *Cedula amissa.*
- 17 at West. *Cedula amissa.*

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The Writts, Indentures, and Returns, from 17 *Edw.* IV. to 1 *Edw.* VI, are all lost throughout *England*, except one imperfect Bundle, *Anno* 33 *Hen.* VIII.

EDWARD VI.

1 *P.* at West.

6 at West. Will. Godolphin, Kt. Hen. Chiverton, Esq;

MARY.

1 *P.* at West. John Carminowe, Esq; Ric. Reskarrock, Esq;

1 at Oxford, John Arundel de Lanheron, Kt. Richard Reskarrock, Esq;

PHILIP & MARY.

1 & 2 *P.* at West. Tho. Treffry, Esq; Hen. Chiverton.

2 & 3 at West. Ric. Chamond, Esq; Hen. Chyverton, Esq;

4 & 5 at West. John Arundel de Lanheron, Esq; John Polwheler, Esq;

ELIZABETH

1 *P.* at West.

5 at West. Ric. Edgecombe, Esq; John Trelawny, Esq;

13 at West. Ric. Greenville, Esq; Will. Mohun, Esq;

14 at West. Peter Edgecombe, Esq; Ric. Chamond, Esq;

27 at West. Ric. Greenville, Esq; Will. Mohun, Kt.

28 at West. Will. Mohun, Kt. Peter Edgecombe, Esq;

31 at West. Francis Godolphin, Kt. Peter Edgecombe, Esq;

35 at West. Will. Bevill, Kt. Peter Edgecombe, Esq;

39 at West. William Killigrew, Esq; Jonathan Trelawney, Esq;

43 at West. Walter Raleigh, Kt. John Arundel of Tre-rice, Esq;

JAMES

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JAMES I.

- 1 P. at West. * Jonathan Trelawny, Kt. Arthur * In his
Rous, Kt. Place de-
12 at West. ceas'd,
18 at West. Bevill Greenville, Esq; John Arundel of William
Trenice, Esq; Godol-
21 at West. Will. Coryton, Esq; Bevill Greenville, Esq; phin, Kt.

CHARLES I.

- 1 P. at West. Charles Trevannion, Esq; Robert Killi-
grew, Kt.
at West. Will. Coryton, Esq; Francis Godolphin,
Kt.
at West. John Elliot, Kt. Will. Coryton, Esq;
at West. Will. Godolphin, Esq; Ric. Buller, Esq;
at West. Alex. Carew, Esq; Bevill Greenville, Kt.
Hugh Boscawen, Esq; Nic. Trefusis, Esq;

CHARLES II.

- 12 P. at West. Rob. Roberts, Esq; John Carew, Kt.
13 at West. Jonathan Trelawney, Esq; John Cory-
ton, Esq;
31 at West. Francis Robarts, Esq; Richard Edge-
combe, Knight of the Bath.
31 at West. Francis Robarts, Esq; Richard Edge-
combe, Knight of the Bath.
57 at Oxford, Francis Robarts, Esq; Richard Edge-
combe, Knight of the Bath.

JAMES II.

- 1 P. at West. Charles Lord Landsdown, Francis Ro-
barts, Esq;

WILLIAM & MARY.

- 1 P. at West. John Carew, Bart. Hugh Boscawen, Esq;
2 at West. Honourable Francis Robartes, Esq; Hugh
Boscawen, Esq;

WILLIAM

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WILLIAM III.

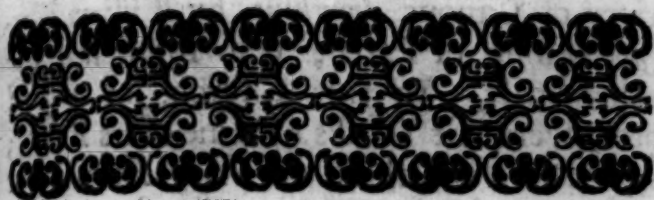
- 7 P. at West, Right Honourable Hugh Boscawen, Esq;
John Speccot, Esq;
10 at West. Right Honourable Hugh Boscawen, Esq;
John Speccot, Esq;
12 at West. * Right Honourable Hugh Boscawen, Esq;
John Speccot, Esq;
* In his Place de- 13 at West. Honourable John Granville, Esq; James
ceas'd, Ric- Buller, Esq;
Edge-
combe,
Esq;

ANNE.

- 1 P. at West. † Right Honourable John Granville, Esq;
James Buller, Esq;
† In his Place crea- 4 at West. Hugh Boscawen, Esq; Ric. Vivian, Bart
ted Lord 7 at West. Hugh Boscawen, Esq; James Buller, Esq;
Landf- 9 at West. ‡ George Granvill, Esq; John Trevan-
down, Ric. nion, Esq;
Vivian, 12 at West. Will, Carew, Bart. John Trevannion, Esq;
Bart.
‡ In his Place, made
a Peer,
Ric. Vivi-
an, Bart.



BOROUGH



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OF

DUNHEVED,

ALIAS

LAUNCESTON;



Derives its first Name of *Launce-*
ston, contractedly, from *Lanstu-*
phadon, i. e. the Church of *Ste-*
phen, and its other of *Dunbeved*,
as may be conjectur'd, from its

Situation on the Top, or Head, of the Down,
or Hill, on which the Town anciently stood,
near the now Church of *St. Stephen*, where
was a College of *Seculars* before the Con-
quest, dedicated to that Saint, afterwards
translated, for the Advantage of a warmer
Site,

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Dug. Mon.
Angl. Vol.
2. p. 107.

Site, into the *West* Suburbs, under the Root of the Hill, and the College chang'd into a Priory of Canons *Augustine*, by *William Warwist*, Bishop of *Exeter*, who suppress'd the Prebendaries. In this Church, as *Leland* notes, were fair Tombs of some of its Priors; of which were those of Prior *Horton*, or *Horestun*, and Prior *Stephen*. The same learned Person acquaints us, that one *Mabilia*, a Countess, was bury'd in the Chapter-House.

As to the Original of this Town, *Carew*, in his Survey of *Cornwall*, tells us, pag. 116. it was first founded by *Eadulfus*, Brother to *Alpfus*, Duke of *Devon* and *Cornwall*, who liv'd about 200 Years before the Conquest; at which Time this Lordship, with 248 more Manors in this County, were given by *William I.* to his Half-Brother *Richard* Earl of *Moreton* and *Cornwall*, who, as *Doomsday-Book* informs us, held *Dunheved*, (where was the Earl's Castle.) From him, and his Successors in that Title, having their chief Residence at the Castle aforesaid, this Town increas'd much in Building and Riches, and had certain Privileges and Liberties conferr'd upon it. There were Burgesses inhabiting or belonging to the Castle of this Town, in the Reign of King *Henry II.*; and in that of King *Henry III.* the Town was, by its then Lord *Richard*, Earl of *Poitiers* and *Cornwall*, the King's Brother, made a free Borough, who granted to the Burgesses, by his Charter without Date, to choose their own Bayliffs, who were to answer the Farm of the Borough, which was to himself 100 s. to the Priory of

Brady of
Boroughs,
P. 44.

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of St. Stephen 65 s. 10 d. and to the Lepers of St. Leonard's of Launceston 100 s. of his Alms. He granted them also to erect a Gild of Merchants in the said Burgh, to hold of him and his Heirs, &c. Which Privileges (as may be seen by divers Charters and Letters Patent of the Kings of England, (recited by *Inspecimus*) were frequently confirm'd with additional Liberties, as *Anno 10. Ric. II.* upon the Petition of these Burgessees, complaining, that the last Assizes and Sessions had been detain'd from them, and held at *Loftwithiel*, the King grants, that they should be kept no where else, in the County of Cornwall, but at *Launceston*. This Prince's Father had, on his being created Duke of Cornwall, (*inter alia*) the Castle, Borough, Manor, and Honour of *Launceston* assign'd to him, and the Heirs of his Body, eldest Sons of the Kings of England; in whom accordingly this Manor has been vested ever since, and is now held in Fee-Farm of the Heir apparent of the Crown of England, being, by Birth, Duke of Cornwall; or, for want of such Issue, of the Crown it self, to whom the Corporation at present pay yearly 100 s. as I am inform'd, for the Profits of the Borough. The Corporation consists of a Mayor, Recorder, and eight Aldermen, who, with the free Burgessees, being in Number about 130, elect the Members of Parliament. Its present Establishment of Incorporation, is owing to "Queen Mary, who, *Anno 1555*, re- cites, that this Borough having been, by "ancient Kings, endow'd with many Privi-
D leges,

R. Cart.

An. 10. R.

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R. Cart.

An. 11. E.

3. m. 24.

n. 53.

R. Pat.

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“leges, and great Immunities, and an-
 “ciently govern’d by a Mayor, &c.
 “(which Officer I find it had *Temp. Henry*
 “IV.) She ordains, it should be incorpora-
 “ted by the Name of Mayor, Aldermen,
 “and Commonalty of the Borough of *Dun-*
 “*heved*, aliàs *Launceston*, and by that Name
 “to have perpetual Succession, and be ena-
 “bled in Law to purchase Lands, &c. and
 “to plead, and be impleaded: That the
 “Mayor and Aldermen should have a com-
 “mon Seal for their Affairs; and that the
 “Borough and Corporation should consist of
 “eight Aldermen, besides the Mayor, who
 “should yearly be chosen on the *Nativity*
 “of our Lady, (*viz. Sept. 8.*) which said Mayor
 “and Aldermen should be call’d the *Common*
 “*Council*, and have Power to elect a Re-
 “corder, who, with the Mayor, should be
 “Justices of the Peace within the Borough.

That this was an ancient Market-Town,
 may be seen by the *Fine-Rolls* in King *John’s*
 Time, in whose Reign the Men of *Launce-*
ston gave a Fine of five Marks, to change
 the Market from the Lord’s Day, whereon
 it was formerly kept, to *Thursday*, tho’ it
 hath since undergone a second Alteration,
 and is now kept on *Saturday*.

As to a Description of this Town, tho’ I
 might refer to the Prospect of it in *Speed’s*
 Map, I shall, from *Leland*, set down an Ac-
 count of the State it was in in his Time.

Leland’s He says, “*Launston*, otherwys cawled *Lo-*
Itin. Vol. 7. “*stephan*, yn old Tyme cawled *Dunevet*,
 p. 99, 100. “*stondith ii Myles beyownd Powllston-Bridge*,
 “on

Salmon

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" on *Tamar Westward*. The sayde Town *Dunevet*, otherwise *Lawnston*, is a walled Towne ny yn Cumpas a Myle, but now ruinus. On the *North* Side of the Towne a Castel stonding on a hye Hille with yn the sayd Town hath *iii* Rowndes Wardes. Part of the Castel stonding *North-West*, ys Parcel of the Walle of the Towne. Ther be withyn this Town *iii* Gates and a Po- stern; also a Gate to go owt of the Castel ynto the old Parke. Sum Gentelmen of *Cornewal* hold ther Landes by Castel- gard, that is to say, for Reparation of this Castel and Towne: and withyn this Castel ys a Chapel, and a Hawle for Syfes and Sessions. For a commune Gayle for al *Cornwayle* is yn this Castel. Withyn this Towne is a Market, a Mayre and Burgeffes, with a Chapel of *Mary Magda- len* to theyr Uses.

" In a Vale at the Foote of the Hil of the sayde Town, abowt an Arow Shot fro the Castel *Northward*, is a Priory of Chanons Regular, dedicate to St. *Stephen*.

" *North-Est* almost half a Myle of the sayde Priory, is a lytle Village apou a Hille, and a Paroche Chirche of St. *Stephen* yn yt. The Opinion is, that the Chanons first dwelled on this Hill, and came thens downe to a better and warmer Site. In this Priory Chirche Yard standeth also a Paroche Chirche.

" The Wall of *Dunevet* ys hy, larg, and strong, and defensably fet.

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“ By the North side of the Priory, runneth a litle Ryver.

“ In *Dunevet* be ii Conduites of derived Water.

The same Author tells us farther of his entring the Town by a long Suburb, and that near St. Stephen's Church was a defecrated Chapel of St. Catherine.

But in this Account not only *Launceston*, but another Borough call'd *Newport*, is, in some Respects comprehended; both which are properly speaking, in the Parish of St. Stephen; whose Church, being the Mother-Church to both these Places, is in a Manner forsook; the Removal of the Priory having occasion'd the building the large Suburb, where is now a Church, or Chapel, of St. Thomas; which is the same (as I imagine) our Author *Leland* means by that which he tells us stands in the Priory-Church-Yard; of which more when I come to speak of *Newport* Borough. And the other Church, or Chapel, dedicated to St. Mary Magdalen, situate in the Middle of the Town, being appropriated to the particular Use of *Launceston*, is become the chief Church of this Place. It was, from a Chantry-Chapel, re-edify'd and enlarg'd in the Time of Henry IV, and made sufficient to contain the Inhabitants of the Town. It is grac'd with a handsome high Tower, and adorn'd at the East End with a beautiful Statue of St. Mary Magdalen, tho' the Prospect of this Church is much hid by several Houses joining to, and covering the South Side of it, and at the West End, between the

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the Tower and Church, which hinder great Part of it from being seen, as I learn from Gentlemen that have travell'd thither, to whom I am beholding for some Account of this Place, and the other Towns in *Cornwall*, having not been so happy, notwithstanding repeated Enquiries, to learn any Thing of the Boroughs of this County from the Natives hereof, except one or two Places. However, I hope any Defect of mine will be abundantly supply'd by a learned and worthy Gentleman, whose Obligations to this Borough in particular, will make him more than ordinary curious in publishing an Account thereof.

EDWARD I.

- 23 P. at West. John Gerneys, Stephen le Duk.
- 26 at York, Stephen Duck, Roger Huntford.
- 30 at London, John Ledesford, Walter Godman.
- 33 at West. Peter Fitz-John, Bartholomew Kech.
- 35 at Carlisle, Peter Fitz-John, John Fitz-John.

EDWARD II.

- 1 P. at West. Walter Godman, John Collin.
- 2 at West. Peter Fitz-John, John Landu.
- 4 at West. Peter Fitz-John, John Knokell.
- 6 at West. Barth. Laurake, Baldwin Pollwythin.
- 6 at West. John Knayle, Rob. de Tavistoke.
- 7 at West. John Fitz-John, Peter Fitz-John.
- 8 at West. Will. de Brackyff, Walter de Landeu.
- 8 at York, Roger de Stinstok, John Cork.
- 12 at York, Ric. Cork, John Belyng.
- 15 at York, John Fitz-John, John de Powerman.
- 19 at West. Will. de Trelawny, Ric. Cork.
- 20 at West. John de Lanham, Rob. de Penilen.

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EDWARD III.

- 1 P. at West. John Horman, John Randalf.
- 1 at West. John de Lanham, Rob. de Penlen.
- 2 at New Sarum, Peter Fitz-John, John de Beauchamp.
- 4 at Winchester, Rob. de Ponton.
- 4 at West. Rob. Ponton, Ric. Port.
- 6 at West. Roger Beyle, Will. Palsford.
- 6 at West. Walter Byle of Lenecote, Will. de Palsford.
- 9 at York, Andrew Halmy, John de Palmorna.
- 9 at West. Adam Keish, Ric. Cork.
- 11 at West. John Moneron, Nicolas Fitz-Peter.
- 12 at West. John Moneron, Rob. Mayndy.
- 12 at West. Ric. Corke, John Collings.
- 12 at Northton. Walter Trevere, Nic. Loveport.
- 12 at West. Roger Byle, Ric. Come.
- 12 at West. Hen. Brakkish, Rob. de Ponton.
- 13 at West. Adam Keyche, Robert Port.
- 14 at West. Adam Keyche, Ric. Corke.
- 15 at West. John Moneron, John Crochard.
- 15 at West. John Moneron, John Crochard.
- 17 at West. Ric. de Long, John Corke.
- 20 at West. Will. Broun, John Doun.
- 21 at West. John Pengrims, Roger Kimywith.
- 22 at West. Roger de Trigge, John Miron.
- 24 at West. John Batefhull, Ivo Gay.
- 25 at West. John Cairen, John Fitz-John Tremayn.
- 31 at West. John Hamely, Ric. Kellion.
- 34 at West. John Bant, John Porthkellompen.
- 34 at West. John Cresfa, John Bant.
- 36 at West. John Cary, John Wovard.
- 37 at West. Hen. Manna, Rob. Wisdum.
- 37 at West. Hen. Nannam, Rob. Wisdom.
- 38 at West. John Cary, John Coppleston.
- 42 at West. John Cresfa, John Wovard.
- 43 at West. Ric. Kendale, Will. Thorton.
- 45 at West. Ralf Trevisa, John Tremaen.
- 45 Council at Winch. Ric. Trevisa.
- 47 P. at West. John Tremaine, John Wovard.
- 50 at West. John Landeo, John Thorne.

RICHARD

RICHARD II.

- 1 P. at West. Edw. Burnbury, John Maef.
- 1 at West. John Cogworthy, John Bonny.
- 2 at Gloucester, Will. Brit, Tho. Trewinver.
- 3 at West. John Cockworthy, John Bodily.
- 6 at West. Philip Triwychofd, Tho. Trewinver.
- 7 at West. Rob. Bodman, John Cokeworthy.
- 7 at New Sarum, John Roster, John Cockworthy.
- 8 at West. John Cockworthy, John Wellis.
- 9 at West. John Cokeworthy, John Bodely.
- 10 at West. John Cockworthy, Roger Leye.
- 11 at West. John Cokeworthy, Will. Bodrigan.
- 12 at Cambridge, Tho. Trerys, Tho. Treures.
- 13 at West. John Cockworthy, John Syreston.
- 16 at Winch. John Cockworthy, Ric. Levy.
- 18 at West. John Cokeworthy, John Bonning.
- 20 at West. John Cockworthy, Ric. Tolle.
- 21 at West. Roger Menwynnek, William Holt.

HENRY IV.

- 1 P. at West. John Cockworthy, John Boly.
- 2 at West. Tho. Colling, Ric. Raddow.
- 11 at West. Edw. Burnbury, John Cory.
- 12 at West. Ric. Trelenay, Edw. Burnaby.

HENRY V.

- 2 P. at West. Edw. Burnbury, John Cory.
- 3 at West. Oliver Wyfa, John Palmer.
- 5 at West. Edw. Burnbury, John Cory.
- 7 at West. Edw. Burnbury, John Palmer.
- 7 at Gloucester, Walter Tregarya, John Colet.
- 8 at West. John Palmer, Simon Yurle.
- 9 at West. John Palmer, John Trefredow.

HENRY VI.

- 1 P. at West. John Cory, Edw. Burnbury.
- 2 at West. John Cory, Will. Allert.
- 3 at West. John Palmere, Simon Yurle.
- 4 at Leicester, Will. Boturnel, John Gate.

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- 6 P. at West. Simon Yurle, John Palmere.
- 8 at West. John Palmere, Simon Yurle.
- 9 at West. Nicolas Aylston, John Palmer.
- 11 at West. John Palmere, Will. Pensoun.
- 13 at West. John Palmer, John Gate.
- 14 at West. John Palmere, John Gate.
- 15 at Cambridge, Rob. Skelton, Will. Skeynok.
- 22 at West. Hen. Notte, John Hatte.
- 25 at Cambridge, Stephen Jone, Will. Bishopp.
- 27 at West. Tho. Limbury, Nicolas Hervy.
- 28 at West. Tho. Limbury, Will. Monus.
- 31 at Reading, Will. Skeynock, John Payn.
- 33 at West. Tho. Lany, Will. Mayo.

EDWARD IV.

- 7 P. at West. Tho. Cooke, John Page.
- 12 at West. *Cedula amissa.*
- 17 at West. *Cedula amissa.*

EDWARD VI.

- 1 P. at West.
- 6 at West. Henry Kylligrewe, Francis Roskarrock.

MARY.

- 1 P. at West. Will. Smith, Esq; John Gayer, Esq;
- 1 at Oxford, Roger Tavernor, Tho. Prudiaux.

PHILIP & MARY.

- 1 & 2 P. at West. Will. Bendlowe, Esq; John Kempthorne.
- 2 & 3 at West. Will. Snurton, Esq; Rob. Muston.
- 4 & 5 at West. Tho. Hungate, Esq; Tho. Rooper, Esq;

ELIZABETH.

- 1 P. at West. Hen. Clinton, Esq; Fra. Greynfelde, Esq;
- 5 at West. George Bassett, Esq; Alliton Aylworth, Esq;
- 13 at West. Edw. Holt, Esq; Rob. Colshill, Esq;
- 14 at West. Geo. Greynvil, Esq; Geo. Blithe, Esq;
- 27 at West. Rowland Watfson, Esq; John Glanville, Esq;

28 P.

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- 28 P. at West. Rowland Watson, Esq; John Spurling, Esq;
 31 at West. Rowland Watson, Esq; John Spurling, Esq;
 35 at West. Rowland Watson, Esq; Geo. Greinvil, Esq;
 39 at West. H . . . Herbert Crofts, Esq;
 43 at West. John Parker, Esq; Geo. Downhault, Esq;

JAMES I.

- 1 P. at West. Tho. Lake, Kt. Ambrose Rous, Esq;
 12 at West.
 18 at West. John Harris of St. Michael's in the Mount,
 Esq; John Bond, Esq;
 21 at West. Francis Crane, Kt. Miles Fleetwood, Kt.

CHARLES I.

- 1 P. at West. Bevil Greenvil, Esq; Ric. Scot, Esq;
 1 at West. Bevil Greenvil, Esq; Ric. Scot, Esq;
 3 at West. Bevil Greenvil, Esq; Ric. Scot, Esq;
 15 at West. Bevil Greenvil, Esq; Ambrose Manaton, Esq;
 16 at West. Ambrose Manaton, Esq; William Coryton, Esq;

CHARLES II.

- 12 P. at West. Tho. Gewen, Esq; Edw. Elliot.
 John Clobery, Esq; by another Indenture.
 13 at West. Cha. Harbord, Kt. Ric. Edgcomb, Esq;
 31 at West. Bernard Greenvil, Esq; Cha. Harbord, Kt.
 31 at West. John Coriton, Kt. Hugh Piper, Kt.
 32 at Oxford, Hugh Piper, Kt. Will. Harbord, Esq;

JAMES II.

- 1 P. at West. John Greenville, Esq; Hugh Piper, Kt.

WILLIAM & MARY.

- 1 P. at West. Will. Harbord, Esq; Edw. Russell, Esq;
 2 at West. Bernard Granville, Esq; * William Harbord, Esq;

* In his
 Place de-
 ceas'd, Rt.
 Hon. Hen.
 Ld Hyde.

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26 Borough of Dunheved, *alias* Launceston.

WILLIAM III.

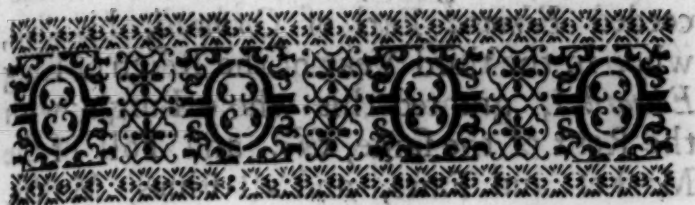
- 7 P. at West. Right Honourable Hen. Lord Hyde, Will.
Cary, Esq;
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12 at West. Right Honourable Hen. Lord Hyde, Will.
Cary, Esq;
13 at West. Right Honourable Hen. Lord Hyde, Will.
Cary, Esq;

ANNE.

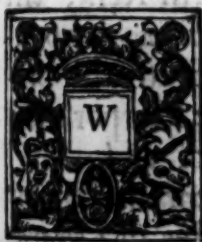
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Cary, Esq;
7 at West. Right Honourable Hen. Lord Hyde, Will.
Cary, Esq;
9 at West. * Right Honourable Hen. Lord Hyde,
Francis Scobell, Esq;
12 at West. John Anstis, Esq; Edw. Herle, Esq;
* In his
Place, Earl
of Roche-
ster, Geo.
Clark, Esq;



BOROUGH



BOROUGH OF LESKARD



AS, in like Manner as spoken of in *Launceston*, held in the Time of the Conqueror by Robert Earl of *Moreton* and *Cornwall*; and afterwards, as that did, belong'd to *Richard*,

*Brady of
Boroughs,
p. 44, 455.*

Brother to King *Henry III*, created Earl of *Cornwall* in the 15th Year of his Reign, who made this Place a free Borough, and granted to the Burgesses all those Liberties and free Customs, which he by his Charter had before granted to his Burgesses of *Launceston* and *Helston*: This Charter is dated the 5th of *June*, Anno 1240, in the 24th Year of the Reign of his Brother King *Henry III*,

about ten Years after the Date of *Launceston* Charter, (as I guess.) To this *Richard* succeeded *Edmund* Earl of *Cornwall*, his Son, who, in the third Year of the Reign of King *Edward I*, granted this whole Burgh, with the Rent of the same, &c. and Toll of the Market and Fairs, and all Fines, Mulcts, and Perquisites thereof, belonging to him and his Heirs, in Fee-Farm, at the Rent of 18 l. Sterling; upon which Conditions the said Borough being leas'd to the Townsmen, has remain'd in their Hands ever since; and the Corporation at present enjoy the Profits of the Fairs, and Markets, &c. which yield them about 200 l. per Annum. The Royalty of this Borough has been, in like Manner as that of *Launceston*, vested in the Dutchy ever since *Edward* the III'd's Time; and the Dukes of *Cornwall*, or Tenants of the Crown, have receiv'd the said Fee-Farm-Rent, 'till the Reign of the late King *William*, who alienated the same, and gave it to the present Lord *Somers*, to whom the Corporation pay the abovesaid chief Rent of 18 l.

This Place was antiently incorporated by the Name of Mayor and Burgeses of *Leskard*, as the present Charter of Reincorporation, dated July 6, 29 *Eliz. Anno Domini*, 1580, recites, "which confirms the said Mayor
 " and Burgeses, and appoints them to
 " have perpetual Succession by that Title;
 " to purchase Lands, &c. and assign
 " the same; and by that Name to plead and
 " to be impleaded; and that the Borough
 " and Corporation shall consist of nine Bur-

geses,

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Burgesses - 9
Apothecaries - 15
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“ gesses, which shall be call'd the Common-
“ Council of the said Borough, whereof one,
“ for the Time being, shall be yearly chosen
“ Mayor, and have Power to choose a Stew-
“ ard and Recorder; and that the Mayor
“ and Borough shall have a common Seal,
“ and the Mayor and Recorder be Justices
“ of the Peace within the said Borough. As
to the Right of Election of Members of Par-
liament, 'tis vested in these nine capital
Burgesses, and fifteen Assistants, with others
who are free of the Borough, as many of the
neighbouring Gentlemen are; so that the
whole Number of Electors is now about 100,
who are all sworn Freemen.

The Town of *Leskard* is very large and
populous, and contains (as I am inform'd)
1000 Houses. It has a very considerable
Market, and perhaps the greatest in this
County. It was in *Leland's* Time the best,
except *Bodmin*, which it much exceeds now,
as the Town does in Building; this being,
in all Respects, one of, if not the biggest
and best built in *Cornwall*: 'Tis situate part-
ly on rocky Hills, and partly in a Bottom.
On the *Eastern* Ascent of the Hill stands the
Church dedicated to *St. Martin*, which is a
large Fabrick with a broad Tower at the
West End: It consists of three spacious light-
some Isles of equal Length, and is handsom-
ly pav'd, which not many Churches in these
Parts are. It was heretofore impropria-
ted to the Priory of *Launceston*; which, en-
joying the great Tithes, attempted likewise
to appropriate the Vicarage; but was pre-
vented

*Cotton's A-
bridgment
of the Tow-
er Records,
p. 422.*

*Leland's I-
tin. Vol. 3,
p. 21.*

vented by a Petition to the King in Parlia-
ment, Anno 4 Henry IV. On the North Side
of the Town stood the Castle, of which
there is little to be discover'd except the Site,
near which was a Park, and therein a Cha-
pel of our Lady, famous for the frequent Pil-
grimages that have been made to it: This,
with two or three others, were Chapels of
Ease to *Leskard*. The Patronage of this
Church, heretofore in the Priory of *Laun-
ceston*, was, upon the Dissolution, granted to
one Mr. *Conneck*, a Descendant of whose Fa-
mily is now Owner of a Manor in this Pa-
rish, call'd *Hagland*, which belong'd to the
Chantry-Chapel in *Launceston*.

In this Town is an admirable Conduit of
Water, which plentifully supplies the Streets
about the Market-Place, which lies in a Bot-
tom about the Middle of the Borough; and
from thence branch several other Streets, di-
vers of which lie on steep Ascents. The Town
is near four Furlongs over, every Way; and
in some Parts the Houses stand scatter'd, tho'
the Streets are generally broad. This is one
of the Towns for Coinage of Tin; and was
remarkable Anno 1642, for the Defeat of the
Parliament-Army by Sir *Ralph Hopton*, a
Memorial of which was put up in the
Church. The Market, in *Leland's* Time
mention'd to be observ'd on *Monday*, is now
kept on *Saturday*. The Town-Hall stands
on Stone Pillars, and is a good Building; at
the Top is a Clock-Turret having four Dials.
It was erected about the Year 1707, by Mr.
Dolben, one of the Members for this Town,

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at near 200*l.* Expence. There has been gi-
ven also to this Corporation very handsome
Presents of Plate, with two large Silver Ma-
ces well gilt, as are several of their Silver
Cups, round one of which, in most constant
Use, is this engrav'd, *Qui fallit Poculum, fal-
lit in omnibus.*

EDWARD I.

- 23 P. at West. Roger de Polscoth, Will. de Barnestable.
- 33 at West. John Carpenter, John Polscoth.
- 35 at Carlisle, Nicolas Giffard, Tho. Alfyn.

EDWARD II.

- 1 P. at Northton, Ric. Lovepite, Will. Scoas.
- 4 at West. Geffry Penhergard, Stephen Storlagh.
- 5 at London, Geffry Penhingarh, Stephen Sturlag.
- 6 at West. John Trethak, Will. Pistor.
- 6 at West. John Skynard, Tho. Alliz.
- 8 at West. Auger de Foresdon, Roger Wolf.
- 5 at West. Ric. de Meldourneford, John de Sitwell.
- 9 at West. Philip de Botterdon, Nicolas Lovepete.
- 20 at West. John de Tremblyth, Rob. de Polhorman.

EDWARD III.

- 1 P. at West. John de Trembleth, Rob. de Polhorman.
- 9 at West. John Chambernoun, John Poldrussek.
- 10 at West. John Chambernoun, John Poldrussek.
- 11 at West. John Billon of Eglesheil, John de Aldestowe.
- 14 at West. John Mingey, John Newhalle.
- 15 at West. Will. de Twynard, Ivo de Kennewyth.
- 19 at West. John Hamley, John Tremayne.
- 1 at West. Ralf Trevyfa, Hugh Kembre.
- 14 at West. John Carnlok, Hugh de Kembre.
- 14 at West. Hugh Combre, Tho. Gerveys.
- 16 at West. John Wouard, Will Arruell.
- 18 at West. Walter Dennys, John Hobyn.
- 2 at West. Matthew Dabnoun, John Tremayne.
- 3 at West. Ric. Carveer, Reginald Bloiewe.

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- 45 *Council at Winch.* Stephen Chamberlain.
 47 *P. at West.* Ric. Code, Will. Cysel.
 50 *at West.* Stephen Bant, John Cobworth.

RICHARD II.

- 1 *P. at West.* Will Kendale, Will. Ceally.
 2 *at West.* Noel Paderda, John Luecombe.
 6 *at West.* John Sherefton, John Terlin.
 7 *at West.* John Cokeworth, Simon Lowys.
 7 *at New Sarum,* Ric. Cartiere, John Clark.
 8 *at West.* Stephen Bant, Simon Lawys.
 8 *at West.* Rob. Brewys, John Goly.
 9 *at West.* Simon Lowys, Stephen Bant.
 10 *at West.* John Bodily, Stephen Bant.
 11 *at West.* Simon Lewes, John Helligan.
 12 *at Cambridge,* Simon Lowys, Walter Bloyowe.
 13 *at West.* John Cokeworthy, Simon Lewes.
 15 *at West.* Rob. Brewes, John Goly.
 16 *at West.* Simon Lewes, Rob. Combe.
 18 *at West.* Ralf Sokeworthy, Ralf Trewyth.
 20 *at West.* John Tregois, Simon Lewes.
 21 *at West.* John Gryke, Rob. Sirefton.

HENRY IV.

- 1 *P. at West.* Walter Bosham, Tho. Forst.
 3 *at West.* Simon Lewys, John Prys.
 8 *at Gloucester,* Will. Ashrok, Tho. Gibbe.
 12 *at West.* Simon Lewes, John Penrose.

HENRY V.

- 1 *P. at West.* Simon Lewes, Walter Lewes.
 2 *at West.* Simon Lewes, Will. Bodrigan.
 3 *at West.* John Trewoef, Odo Trenewith.
 5 *at West.* John Butt, Rob. Tryage.
 7 *at West.* Philip Mottie, John Gawde.
 7 *at Gloucester,* John Trefrydowe, Will. Hamond.
 8 *at West.* John Furdon, John Corke.
 9 *at West.* John Trelauny, John Trenerth.

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H E N R Y VI.

- 1 P. at West. John Cork, John Pelmorba.
2 at West. Will. Botreaux, Rob. Chelleston.
3 at West. Rob. Skelton, Tho. Herle.
4 at Leicester, Reginald Toker, John Colys, sen.
6 at West. Rob. Skelton, Will. Baunton.
8 at West. John Tresyrheny, Will. Trethewy.
9 at West. Rob. Shelton, Tho. Giffard.
11 at West. John Beare, Will. Tremure.
13 at West. John Trewynt, Will. Trethewy.
14 at West. John Trewynt, Will. Trethewy.
15 at West. Rob. Clay, Rob. Wage.
20 at West. Walter Moyle, Tho. Clemens.
25 at Cambridge, Tho. Constantin, Rob. Chalers.
27 at West. Tho. Tregarthyn, Tho. Clemens.
28 at West. Tho. Clement, John Day.
31 at Reading, John Watkins, Will. Kyngdon.
33 at West. John Knoll, Rob. Trethewy.

E D W A R D IV.

- 7 P. at West. Edw. Kyngdon, Will. Crofsman.
12 at West.
17 at West.

E D W A R D VI.

- 1 P. at West.
6 at West. John Trelawney, jun. Esq; John Eyres,
Gent.

M A R Y.

- 1 P. at West. Will. Morys, Tho. Roskarock.
1 at Oxford, Fra. Roskarock, James Kemp.

P H I L I P & M A R Y.

- 1 & 2 P. at West. John Conock, Gent. John Pethe-
bridg, Merchant.
2 & 3 at West. John Cruys, Esq; Will. Lower, Esq;
4 & 5 at West. Will. Coryton, Esq; John Gayre, Esq;
F 4 & 5

ELIZABETH.

- 1 *P. at West.* Geo. Bromley, Reinold Michamp.
 5 *at West.* Geo. Bromley, Reginald Mohun.
 13 *at West.* Basil Johnson, John Connagh, Esq;
 14 *at West.* Hen. Mac-Williams, Paul Wentworth.
 27 *at West.* Peter Edgecombe, Esq; Edw. Denny, Esq;
 28 *at West.* Jonathan Trelawny, Esq; Rich. Edge-
 combe, Esq;
 31 *at West.* Jonathan Trelawny, Esq; John Jackson,
 Gent.
 35 *at West.* Jonathan Trelawny, Esq; Geo. Wraye, Esq;
 39 *at West.* Hen. Nevill, Esq; Edw. Trelawney, Esq;
 43 *at West.* Tho. Edmonds, Esq; Sampson Lennard, Esq;

JAMES I.

- 1 *P. at West.* Will. Killigrew, Kt. Reginald Nicholas.
 12 *at West.*
 18 *at West.* Edw. Coke, Kt. Nic. Hele, Esq;
 21 *at West.* Will. Wray, Nic. Hele, Esq;

CHARLES I.

- 1 *P. at West.* Will. Coryton, Esq; Nic. Hele, Esq;
 1 *at West.* Francis Stuart, Kt. Jos. Jane, Gent.
 3 *at West.* Francis Stuart, Kt. John Harris, Esq;
 15 *at West.* Geo. Kekewich, Esq; John Harris, Esq;
 16 *at West.* John Harris, Esq; Jos. Jane, Esq;
George Kekewich, Esq; Tho. Fowey.

CHARLES II.

- 12 *P. at West.* John Cannock, Esq; John Robinson, Esq;
 Tho. Johnson, Esq; *by another Indenture.*
 † *In his* 13 *at West.* John Harris, Esq; † Peter Prideaux, Esq;
Place Ber- 31 *at West.* John Buller, Esq; John Connock, Esq;
nard 31 *at West.* Jonathan Trelawney, Kt. John Buller,
Greenvil- Esq;
le, Esq; 32 *at Oxford,* Jonathan Trelawney, Bart. John Bul-
 ler, Esq;

JAMES II.

1 P. at West. Chichester Wray, Esq; John Connock, Esq;

WILLIAM & MARY.

1 P. at West. Bouchier Wray, *Knight of the Bath, and*
Bart. John Buller, Esq;

2 at West. Bouchier Wray, *Knight of the Bath, and*
Bart. Emanuel Piper, Esq;

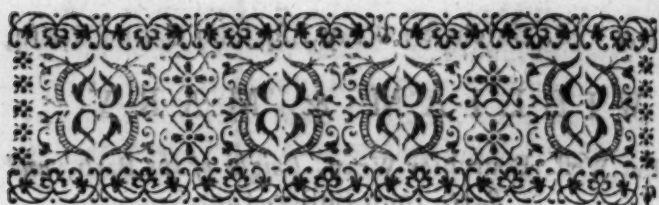
WILLIAM III.

7 P. at West. † Bouchier Wray, *Knight of the Bath, † In his*
and Bart. Will. Bridges, Esq; *Place, de-*
10 at West. Henry Darell, Esq; Will. Bridges, Esq; *ceas'd Hen-*
12 at West. Will. Bridges, Esq; Hen. Darell, Esq; *ry Darell,*
13 at West. Will. Bridges, Esq; Tho. Dodson, Esq; *Esq;*

ANNE.

1 P. at West. Will. Bridges, Esq; Tho. Dodson, Esq;
4 at West. Will. Bridges, Esq; † Tho. Dodson, Esq; † *In his*
7 at West. Will. Bridges, Esq; John Dolben, Esq; *Place, de-*
9 at West. Will. Bridges, Esq; Philip Rashleigh, Esq; *ceas'd,*
12 at West. Philip Rashleigh, Esq; Will. Bridges, Esq; John Dol-
ben, Esq;





BOROUGH

OF

LOSTWITHIEL,



*Camden's
Brit. p. 7.*

*Carew's
Survey of
Cornwall,
p. 37.*

*Leland's
Itin. Vol. 3.
p. 18, 19.*

Reputed the ancient *Uzella* of *Ptolemy*, lyes situate on the River *Uzella*, from which it more probably had its Name, as the learned *Camden* thinks, than from *Carew's* Interpretation of the Word *Loſtwithiel*, which he would have to signify, in *English*, *Lion's Tail*. This Town is reported in former Times to have ſtood on an high Hill, where the old Caſtle of *Leſtormel* ſheweth its Ruins, which, with a Park thereto belonging, lyes on the *North* Side of the Town. In the Park was a Chapel of the *Trinity*, long ſince defac'd, as are the publick Buildings of the Town, inſomuch that little remains of them; tho' ſome ſmall Part are

are repair'd, and made Use of for the Prison and Courts belonging to the Tin Stannery, which are appointed to be kept here, this being one of the Coinage-Towns. It is a very ancient Corporation, belonging to the Dutchy, having had great Privileges conferr'd upon it by *Richard* Earl of *Cornwall*, who, when he was King of the *Romans*, in the 12th Year of his Reign, by Charter dated at *Watlington*, made *Lostwithiel* and *Penk-Brady of*
nek, a Place near adjoining, and now Part *Boroughs,*
 of the Borough, one free Burgh, and grant- *P. 45.*
 ed his Burgeffes a Gild-Mercatory, &c. *Leland's*
 When this Place was first incorporated I have *Itin. Vol.*
 not been inform'd; but it has return'd Mem- *8. p. 83.*
 bers to Parliament ever since 4 *Edw. II*, and
 once before, viz. 33 *Edw. I*.

The Representatives are chosen by the Majority of the Corporation, which consists of seven capital Burgeffes, (whereof one is Mayor) and seventeen Assistants, in whom, as I presume, the Fee-Farm Rent of the Borough is vested, who hold the same, or not many Years since did, of the Dutchy. This Corporation (otherwise a poor one) holds also the Anchorage in the Harbour, and Bushelage of measurable Commodities, as Coals, Salt, Malt, and Corn, &c. in the Town of *Fowey*; which Port lyes lower on this River, which was navigable to this Town before the Sands barr'd it up.

The Town of *Lostwithiel* consists chiefly of two Streets, from *East* to *West*, meanly built, and has in it a Church dedicated to *St. Bartholomew*, the Patronage of which is
 in

in the Crown: It is of no extraordinary Building, tho' grac'd with a Spire-Steeple, which no other Borough in this County boasts of, since the Fall of that of *Bodmin*, except *Helston* is reckon'd one. This Church, in *August* 1644, was abominably profan'd by some Soldiers of the Parliament-Army, as may be seen in *Dugdale's short View of the late Troubles in England*, p. 560; at which Time several stately Edifices in this Town were defac'd, as the great Hall, and Exchequer of the Dukes of *Cornwall*, who had their Palace here in Times past, this having been formerly reputed the Shire Town of this County, a small Branch of which it yet retaineth, viz. the Election of Knights of the Shire, and keeping the County-Weights and Measures, which it had assign'd it by Act of Parliament, *Anno* 11 *Hen.* VII. Who held this Manor at the making *Doomsday-Book*, the learned Dr. *Brady* could not discover; but, no doubt, it was reckon'd among those of *Robert* Earl of *Moreton* and *Cornwall*, the King's Brother. Tho' in the Reign of *Richard* the 1st, 'twas Part of the Demesne-Lands of *Robert de Cardinan* Lord of *Fowey*, who was return'd a Debtor into the *Exchequer*, of ten Marks due to the King, for having a Market at *Lostwetell*, which he had then, no doubt lately obtain'd. However, this Town belong'd. *temp.* *H.* III, to *Richard* E. of *Cornwall*, this K. *Richard*'s Nephew, upon the Death of whose Son *Edmund*, it became Part of the King's Demesne; and *Anno* 7 *Edw.* III, upon the Creation of *John* E. of *Cornwall*, the King's Brother,

Madox's
Hist. of the
Exchequer,
p. 272.

Rot. Parl.
An. 7. *E.* 3.

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Brother, he had this Borough, *inter alia*, R. Cart.
 granted him; which was afterwards assign'd An. 7. E.
 to *Edward* the King's Son, when he was made 3. m. 2.
 Duke of *Cornwall*, and became, upon his n. 7.
 Death, the Jointure or Dowry of *Joan* Prin- Ibid. A. II.
 cess of *Wales*, his Wife; on whose Decease, E. 3. m.
Anno 9 *Ric. II.*, the King granted it to *Tho.* 24. n. 53.
Holland Earl of *Kent*, her Brother; who held
 for Life the Manors of *Lostwithiel* and *Cam-*
melford, as did his Son *Edmund Holland* Earl
 of *Kent*, beheaded *Anno* 1 *Hen. IV.*; after Dugd. Bar.
 which, Sir *John Cornwall*, Lord *Fanhope*, Vol. 2. p.
 obtain'd a Grant of the same, on account 212.
 of marrying *Elizabeth*, the King's Sister;
 and obtain'd from *Henry* Prince of *Wales*,
 a Grant to enjoy the same during her
 Life; and afterwards procur'd it for his own Ibidem,
 Life, and dy'd accordingly seiz'd thereof in Vol. 2. p.
December 1443, (22 *Hen. VI.*) as may be 213.
 seen in *Dugdale's Baronage*. The yearly
 Rent of this Borough, payable to the Duke
 of *Cornwall*, is, in *Dodderidge's History* of that
 Dutchy, pag. 108, set down at 11 l. 19 s. 10 d.

E D W A R D I

33 P. at West. Ralph Courteys, Stephen le Rede.

E D W A R D II.

- 4 P. at West. Adam Strode, Richard Cham.
- 5 at London, Ric. de London, Adam le Strode.
- 6 at West. Alex. Cantik, Hugh le Rous.
- 7 at West. Ric. Clerke, Adam le Strode.
- 15 at York, John Tuck, Michael Tuegit.
- 16 at West. Serlo Coynte, Will. de Pufford.
- 19 at West. Silvester de Trefyneskin, Bennet le Bray.
- 20 at West. Walter Pofford, John de Aldestowe.

E D W A R D

EDWARD III.

- 11 P. at West. John Trevanyon, Roger Wooly.
 12 at Northton. Tho. Quenir, Gerard Aure.
 20 at West. John Haluwich, John Ken.
 21 at West. John Preduek, John Fitz.
 22 at West. John Parkere, David Miron.
 24 at West. Ralf Arundell, Michael Autron.
 25 at West. Rob. Wisdome, Ralph de Treevyfa.
 29 at West. John Caeron, John Hamely.
 34 at West. Ric. Trevisa, John Carvelek.
 34 at West. Hen. Nanfan, Will. Tremayne.
 36 at West. Ralf Trevyfa, Matthew Dabernoun.
 37 at West. John Courteys, John Gowfyd.
 38 at West. Ric. Kindale, Matthew Dabernoun.
 42 at West. Nath. Dabernoun, John Tremaine.
 43 at West. John Nostunell, John Tremaen.
 45 at West. Ric. Cesar, John de Wauscawe.
 45 Council at Winchester, Ric. Cesar.
 47 at West. Odo Stevyn, Matthew Clemow.
 50 at West. Tho. Janys, John Lawyer.

RICHARD II.

- 1 P. at West. Ric. Kendale, John Traxerell.
 2 at Gloucester, John Cokworthy, Ric. Nicholl.
 3 at West. Hen. Chinhals, John Deymon.
 6 at West. Tho. Courteys, Ric. Fox.
 7 at West. Tho. Courteys, John Wells.
 7 at New Sarum, Rob. Nevill, John Britton.
 8 at West. Stephen Fleggard, Roger Umfrey.
 9 at West. John Sherreston, Stephen Buar.
 10 at West. John Syreston, John Britton.
 11 at West. Tho. Courteys, Pastefins Pole.
 12 at Cambridge, Tho. Moyll, John Mychell.
 13 at West. Ric. Rospreve, John Brown.
 15 at West. Simon Lewes, Rob. Comb.
 16 at West. Roger Umfrey, John Broun.
 18 at West. Ric. Bloyowe, Ric. Scot.
 20 at West. Tho. Courteys, John Kendale.
 21 at West. Tho. Courteys, John Kendale.

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HENRY IV.

- 1 P. at West. John Gey, Ric. Hervey.
- 3 at West. Hen. Evilcombe, Kr. Tho. Curteys.
- 8 at Gloucester, Hen. Ilcombe, Rob. Canell.
- 11 at West. Rob. Cayle.
- 12 at West. John Glasing, Tho. Peleure.

HENRY V.

- 1 P. at West. John Curteyes, John Clink.
- 2 at West. Rob. Cayle, John Trebaithe.
- 3 at West. Rob. Cayll, Tho. West.
- 5 at West. Stephen Kendale, Tho. West.
- 7 at West. Tristram Courteyes, Ric. Hervey.
- 8 at Gloucester, John Courteys, Gregory Aure.
- 8 at West. John Trewynt, John Lawhyer.
- 9 at West. Tristram Courteyes, John Trewynt.

HENRY VI.

- 1 P. at West. John Trewynt, Rob. Treage.
- 2 at West. John Lawhyer, John Trewynt.
- 3 at West. John Liskomb, John Trewynt.
- 4 at Leicester, Tho. Cokyn, Peter Petit.
- 6 at West. Tho. Kendal, Ric. Hervy.
- 8 at West. Tho. Cokayne, John Herr.
- 9 at West. John Sperry, Nic. Arundell.
- 11 at West. John Prevannyon, Roger Wooley.
- 13 at West. Ric. Penpons, Tho. Eyte.
- 14 at West. Ric. Penrous, Tho. Geffre.
- 15 at Cambridge, Otho Nicol, John Treouran.
- 20 at West. Ric. Kendale, Nic. Cowderow.
- 25 at West. John Davell, Ric. Perkyn.
- 27 at West. Ric. Kendale, Ric. Pye.
- 28 at West. Ric. Kendale, Ric. Pye.
- 31 at Reading, Nic. Bokelly, Edw. Derdaunt.
- 33 at West. Tho. West, Ric. Kendale.

EDWARD IV.

- 7 P. at West. Rob. Tanfeld, John Pentyn.

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12 P. at West.
17 at West.

EDWARD VI.

1 P. at West.
6 at West. Ric. Woron, Gasper Fisher, Gent.

MARY.

1 P. at West. Christopher Dauney, Esq; John Court-
ney, Esq;
1 at Oxford, Geo. Southcote, Briceus Rockwood.

PHILIP & MARY.

1 & 2 P. at West. John Cofworth, Esq; John South-
cot, Esq;
2 & 3 at West. John Southcote, Esq; Brice Rock-
wood, Esq;
4 & 5 at West. John Coyfworth, John Heryng.

ELIZABETH.

1 P. at West. Peter Edgecombe, Esq; John Trelaw-
ney, Esq;
5 at West. Tho. Mildmay, Esq; John Killegrew, Esq;
13 at West. Rob. Snagg, Gent. Will. Kendall, Gent.
14 at West. John Berkeley, Esq; Rob. Snagg, Esq;
27 at West. James Dalton, Esq; John Shorley, Esq;
28 at West. John Agmondesham, Esq; James Dalton,
Esq;
31 at West. Will. Firz-Williams, Esq; Will. Garde-
ner.
35 at West. Francis Godolphin, Kt. Rob. Beale, Esq;
39 at West. Will. Carnwallis, Esq; John Cook.
43 at West. Ric. Cromwell, Esq; Nic. Saunders, Esq;

JAMES I.

1 P. at West. Tho. Challoner, Kt. Will. Lower, Kt.
12 at West.
18 at West. Hen. Fane, Kt. Geo. Chudleigh, Esq;
21 at West. John Holart, Kt. John Chichester, Esq;
C H A R L E S

CHARLES I.

- 1 P. at West. Hen. Fane, Kt. Nic. Kendall, } Double
Geo. Chudleigh, Bart. Reginald } Return.
Mohun, Kt. & Bart.
- 1 at West. Rob. Mansell, Kt. Reginald Mohun, Esq;
- 3 at West. † Rob. Carr, Kt. John Chudleigh, Kt. † In his
Place, chose
- 15 at West. Ric. Arundell, Esq; Nic. Kendall, Esq; for Preston
- 16 at West. John Trevanyon, Esq; Ric. Arundell, Esq; Co. Lanc.
John Maynard, Knight of the Bath, Fran- Tho. Bad-
cis Holles, Esq; ger, Kt.

CHARLES II.

- 12 P. at West. John Clayton, Esq; Walter } Double
Mottle, Esq; } Return.
Henry Ford, Esq;
- 13 at West. † Chichester Wray, Kt. & Bart. † James †† In their
Bultele, Esq; Places, de-
31 at West. John Carew, Walter Kendall, Esq; ceas'd, Cha.
31 at West. John Carew, Bart. Walter Kendall, Esq; Smith Esq;
32 at Oxford, John Carew, Bart. Walter Kendall, Esq; Silus Ti-
tus, Esq;

JAMES II.

- 1 P. at West. Robert Southwell, Kt. Matthias Vin-
cent, Kt.

WILLIAM & MARY.

- 1 P. at West. Honourable Francis Robartes, Esq; Walter
Kendall, Esq;
- 2 at West. Bevill Granvill, Kt. Walter Kendall, Esq;

WILLIAM III.

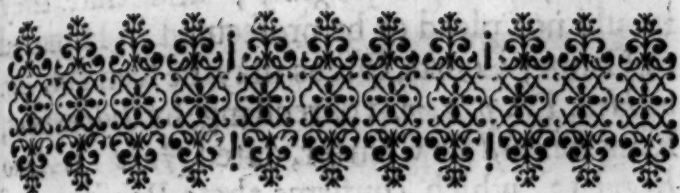
- 7 P. at West. Bernard Granvill, Esq; Sam. Travers, Esq;
- 10 at West. Honourable George Booth, Esq; Samuel
Travers, Esq;
- 12 at West. John Molefworth, Kt. & Bt. * John Bul- * In his
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13 at West. Honourable George Booth, Esq; John ceas'd, Hon.
Molefworth, Kt. & Bart. George
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- A N N E. Booth, Esq

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- † In his
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 James
 Kendall,
 Esq;
- 1 *at* West. Hon. Russel Robartes, Esq; John Molef-
 worth, Kt. & Bart.
 4 *at* West. Hon. Russell Robartes, Esq; † Robert
 Molefworth, Esq;
 7 *at* West. Jos. Addison, Esq; James Kendall, Esq;
 9 *at* West. John Hill, Esq; Hugh Fortescue, Esq;
 12 *at* West. Tho. Clarges, Bart. Erasmus Lewis, Esq;



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Elong'd, temp. Will. I, to Robert Earl of Moreton and Cornwall, who held Treurgen, which is, no doubt, the same in Doomsday-Book with this Town; after which it was in the Possession of Richard de Lucy, a Person of great Note in the Reigns of King Stephen, and Henry II. In the 8th Year of the Reign of the latter, he was made Justice of England. From him it came to Reginald Fitz Roy, one of the illegitimate Sons of Hen. I, created Earl of Cornwall Anno 5 of King Stephen. This Reginald dy'd Anno 21 Hen. II, having in his Life-time granted to his free Burgeses of Trevern, the same Privileges which they had

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p. 47.

had in the Time of *Richard de Lucy*, viz. *Sac, Soc, Tol, Them, Infangthes*; and that they should not plead or be prosecuted in Hundred or County Courts, &c. as may be seen *Pat. An. 4. Hen. IV. p. 2. m. 19.* reciting, by *Inspeximus*, King *Edward I's* Charter, dated *June 12. Anno Regni 13.* which confirms these Privileges of *Richard de Lucy of Trivere*, afterwards in Possession of *Thomas de Prydias*; "who, *Anno 30*

Barl. Jur. " *Edw. I.* certify'd his Pretensions to frank
& Assum. " Pledge-Toll a Market and Fair in his Ma-
and " nor of *Trevern*; and farther claim'd, that
auceston, " his Burgeffes should not be impleaded out
Anno 30, " of the said Town; that they should be
i. l. " Toll-free throughout all *Cornwall*; and
 " that he was entitled to hold the Bailly-
 " wick of *Powdrishire* in Fee." How this
 Place afterwards became the Demesnes of
 the Crown, I have not seen; but that it
 did so, is apparent from several Charters
 and Patents made in succeeding Reigns; and
 probably this *Thomas* held them of it, at
 the Time of his Claim, by Virtue of certain
 Lease, or on Payment of a Quit-Rent, which
 might expire, or be forfeited. For *Edward*
ot. Pat. *IV. Anno Regni 12.* granted this Honour,
Anno 12
. 4. Borough, Manor, and Hundred, after the
 Decease of *Katherine Mowbray*, Dutcheß of
Norfolk, to his Brother *George*, Duke of *Clare-
 rence*; after whom this Borough was held, of
 the Crown, by — *Bodrigan*, and *Tho. Lovell*, Kts.
quis. in viz. temp. *Hen. VII.* And *Anno 38 Hen. VIII.*
r. Ward. *Thomas Whittington* dy'd seiz'd of a Moiety
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Leland's Time, we are told of a Castle, a quarter of a Mile *West* of *Truro*, belonging to the Earls of *Cornwall*, that was then entirely down; which Author describes the Town thus: "The Creke of *Truro*, afore the very Town, is divided into two Parts, *Ieland's Itin. Vol. 3. p. 13.* and each of them hath a Brook coming down, and a Bridge, and the Town of *Truro* betwixt them both. The *White Friars* House was on the *West* Arm in *Kenwen-Street*. *Kenwen-Street* is separated from *Truro* with this Arm. *Clement-Street*, by *East*, is sever'd on the *East* Side from *Truro* with this Arm. One Paroch Church in *Truro*." This Church is dedicated to the Virgin *Mary*, and is a large Fabrick, two Parts in three being of antique Building of *Moor* Stone, the other Part of a different Sort of Stone; it has a Tower, a Nave, one Isle, and half another, which, I presume, was never finish'd. Touching the Election of Members of Parliament, they are chosen by the Magistrates only, by whom the Corporation is govern'd, which consists of a Mayor, four Aldermen, and twenty capital Burgeses. This Town is said to be incorporated by the aforesaid *Reginald*, natural Son to King *Henry* I, by the Name of Mayor and Burgeses; which Mayor has large Privileges by Prescription, being Mayor of *Falmouth*, a noted Sea-Port at the Mouth of this Harbour, which reaches up hither; and the Keyage of Goods laden and unladen belong to this Corporation. This is a fair, large, and well-traded Town, and

*Carew's
Survey of
Cornwall,
p. 41.
Fuller's
Worthies,
p. 98.*

*Dugd. Bar.
Vol. 2. p.
452.*

and hath the Benefit of the Coinage of Tins. It has weekly two well frequented Markets, and is, as *Carew* observes, behind no Place in this County in Building. As to the Proverb of this Town consisting of three Streets, the Reader may find an Account of it in *Carew* and *Fuller*. In the Time of *Hen. VIII.* I find, in an old Survey, here were computed near as many People as at *Leskard*, tho', I presume, the Increase of *Falmouth*, in this Neighbourhood, may have somewhat lessened the Inhabitants, which, from a poor Fisher-Place of not twenty Houses, is become a large populous Town, having a Church in't, not many Years since erected, and made Parochial, and dedicated to the Memory of King *Charles* the Martyr. The Town of *Truro* gives Title of a Baron to the Right Honourable the Earl of *Radnor*, whose Great Grandfather, *Richard Robartes* of *Truro*, first Knighted by King *James I.* afterwards created a Baronet, was, at length, by the same King, by Letters Patent dated *January 26, 1624, Anno Regni 22*, advanced to the Title of Baron *Robartes* of *Truro*.

EDWARD I.

- 23 P. at West. Hen. de Bayly, Rob. Maynard.
- 26 at York, Will. Kenway, Will. Taylor.
- 28 at West. Tho. Dewy, Will. le Taylor.
- 33 at West. John de Triagu, John Knight.
- 35 at Carlisle, Will. le Taillur, David le Tavystoke.

EDWARD II.

- 1 P. at West. Roger Gafs, John Whithefd.

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- 2 P. at West. David Daw, Oliver Britton.
- 4 at West. John Slea, John Maynard.
- 5 at West. John Chivals, Will. Chamberlaine.
- 6 at West. John de Truffar, David Tavistock.
- 6 at West. Will. Collan, John Wellesby.
- 7 at West. Rob. Perfon, John Ponna.
- 8 at York, John Maynard, Bernard de Boteghan.
- 19 at West. Oliver de Tregedon, Ric. de Bosneyske.
- 20 at West. John de St. Uvelo, Rob. Lefnestok.

E D W A R D III.

- 1 P. at West. Henry Higgere, Ralf Collin.
- 1 at West. John Slegra, Alan de Moreske.
- 2 at Northton, Walter Elliot, John Badyng.
- 4 at West. John de Rosewerek, John Sleggh.
- 5 at West. Silvester de Trefuthken.
- 6 at Linc. John de Cornwall, Will. Nevill.
- 8 at West. Andrew Hornby, Onerwin de Trefryethe.
- 9 at West. John de Trechiwell, Tho. de Egleshecle.
- 9 at York, Ric. Beville, John Nanslowen.
- 12 at Northton, Walter Elliot, John Baddin.
- 12 at West. John de Polmorna, Ralf Bedegru.
- 13 at West. Andrew Hamely, Evervinus Trefrechion.
- 15 at West. John Blaka, Roger Penquyt.
- 17 at West. Ralf Mayndy, John Borishull.
- 20 at West. Robert Whyte, Roger Frere.
- 22 at West. Ric. Pengurth, John Jemmat.
- 25 at West. John Porter, Robert Wyffe.
- 29 at West. John Hamley, John Caeron.
- 31 at West. John Hamley, Will. Trewnuard.
- 34 at West. Ralf Restalock, John Lenkost.
- 34 at West. Will. Trewnuard, John Porthkellomper.
- 36 at West. Will. Trewnuard, John Pothlomy.
- 37 at West. Will. Trewnuard, Ralf Penhale.
- 38 at West. John Isaac, John Tremaine.
- 42 at West. John Nausenell, Walter Trolewith.
- 43 at West. Ralf Trufa, John Trouwit.
- 45 Council at Winchester, Will. Boyvill.
- 47 P. at West. John Raulin, Ralf Penhale.

R I C H A R D II.

- 1 P. at West. John Raulin, Rob. Trenewith.

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- 2 P. at Gloucester, John Rassaunt, John Clark.
- 3 at West. Hen. Chinhals, Tho. Tregelias.
- 6 at West. John Linton, Ric. Marchall.
- 7 at West. John Tregorrik, John Tregos.
- 7 at New Sarum, John Raulin, Nic. Marchell.
- 8 at West. John Rosken, Michael Tregathalosse.
- 9 at West. Michael Tregathalosse, John Turgeis.
- 10 at West. John Turgeis, Rob. Clarke.
- 11 at West. Hen. Gourlin, John Tremaine.
- 12 at Cambridge, John Tregeuran, John Trebnet.
- 13 at West. John Coke, Walter Gloyewe.
- 15 at West. John Urban, Roger Ivill.
- 16 at Winch. Ralf Treverwich, Rob. Bloyow.
- 18 at West. Ric. Repreme, Andrew Barlas.
- 20 at West. John Treris, John Megra.
- 21 at West. Nic. Treviewyth, John Lawhyer.

HENRY IV.

- 1 P. at West. Ric. Carhorta, Paschalis Polruan.
- 3 at West. Ralf Heyle, John Ferrers.
- 12 at West. Tho. Polruan, Will. Collyn.

HENRY V.

- 1 P. at West. John Chyvals, Will. Chamberlyne.
- 2 at West. John Brures, Will. Trethekel.
- 3 at West. Will. Moune, Peter Heyme.
- 5 at West. John Megre, Andrew Hernan.
- 7 at Gloucester, Ralf Cardrew, Tho. Brunsham.
- 7 at West. John Trewit, John Langdown.
- 8 at West. Rob. Tresherf, Will. Richard.
- 9 at West. Rob. Treage, Will. Richard.

HENRY VI.

- 1 P. at West. John Butt, Robert Treverth.
- 2 at West. Will. Trethek, John Palreden.
- 3 at West. John Butt, Rob. Treage.
- 4 at Leicester, James Nanven, Stephen Reskerr.
- 6 at West. Oliver Tregesove, Will. Conderow.
- 8 at West. Will. Trethaek, Stephen Resker.
- 9 at West. Will. Trethek, Tho. Rostruyk.
- 11 at West. Will. Trethek, Rob. Collin.

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- 13 P. at West. John Penres, Nic. Ayslton.
- 14 at West. John Penres, Nic. Ayslton.
- 15 at Cambridge, Tho. Bere, Gregory Tretherf.
- 20 at West. Nich. Rochs, Peter Rawyn.
- 25 at West. John Kelby, Will. Jaeh.
- 27 at West. Tho. West, John Trelamy.
- 28 at West. John Salter, Edw. Pott.
- 31 at Reading, Roger Thorp, John Norys.
- 33 at West. Rob. Clay, Hen. Tudenham.

EDWARD IV.

- 7 P. at West. Edw. Ayslton, Ric. Joice.
- 12 at West.
- 17 at West.

EDWARD VI.

- 1 P. at West.
- 6 at West. Nic. Randal, Tho. Raydon.

MARY.

- 1 P. at West. John Methnes, Gent. Nic. Randell, Gent.
- 1 at Oxford, Will. Iseham, Tho. Duppa.

PHILIP & MARY.

- 1 & 2 P. at West. John Methnes, Tho. Boydon.
- 2 & 3 at West. Nic. Randal, Tho. Randal.
- 4 & 5 at West. Nic. Randolph. Tho. Roydon.

ELIZABETH.

- 1 P. at West.
- 5 at West. John Carminowe, John Mitchel.
- 13 at West. Hen. Killigrew, Vincent Skinner.
- 14 at West. Hen. Killigrew, Esq; Oliver Carminow,
Esq;
- 27 at West. Edw. Darcy, Michael Hicks, Gent;
- 28 at West. John Stanhope, Esq; Rowland Litton, Esq;
- 31 at West. Hannibal Vyvyan, Esq; John Wotton,
Esq;
- 35 at West. John Parker, Esq; Nic. Smyth, Esq;

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- 39 P. at West. Maurice Berkeley, Kr. Rende Stafford, Esq;
 43 at West. Tho. Harris Serjeant at Law, Will. Daniel, Esq;

JAMES I.

- 1 P. at West. Tho. Burges, Hen. Cossen.
 12 at West.
 18 at West. Barnaby Gouche, L. L. D. John Trefusis of Trefusis, Esq;
 21 at West. Ric. Daniel, Gent. Tho. Burges, Gent.

CHARLES I.

- 1 P. at West. Will. Rous, Esq; Hen. Rolle, Esq;
 1 at West. Francis Rous, Esq; Hen. Rolle, Esq;
 3 at West. Hen. Rolle, Esq; Ric. Daniel, Gent.
 15 at West. Francis Rous, Esq; John Rolle, Esq;
 16 at West. John Rolle, Esq; Francis Rous, Esq;

CHARLES II.

- 12 P. at West. Hen. Roberts, Esq; Walter Vincent, Esq; Edw. Boscawen, Esq; Walter Vincent, Esq; } Double Return.
 13 at West. Nic. Arundell, Esq; Edw. Boscawen, Esq; William Brewetton, Esq; Arthur Trevor, Esq; } Double Return, the last taken off.
 31 at West. Will. Boscawen, Esq; Edw. Boscawen, Esq;
 31 at West. Will. Boscawen, Esq; Edw. Boscawen, Esq;
 32 at Oxford, Edw. Boscawen, Esq; Hen. Ashurst, Esq;

JAMES II.

- 1 P. at West. John Arundel of Trerice, Esq; Henry Vincent, Esq;

WILLIAM

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WILLIAM & MARY.

- 1 P. at West. Hen. Ashurst, Kt. Hen. Vincent, Esq;
2 at West. Hen. Ashurst, Bart. Hen. Vincent, Esq;

† In his
Place, who
made his
Election for
Trego-
ney, John
Hawkes, Kt
|| In his

WILLIAM III.

- 7 P. at West. John Cloberye, Esq; Hen. Vincent, Esq;
10 at West. Hugh Fortescue, Esq; Hen. Vincent, Esq;
12 at West. † Hugh Fortescue, Esq; Hen. Vincent, Esq;
13 at West. || Will. Scawen, Kt. Hen. Vincent, Esq;

Place, chose
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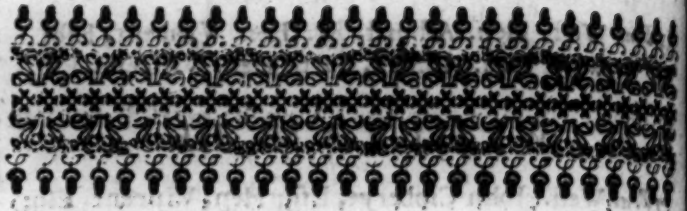
ANNE.

- 1 P. at West. Tho. Powis, Kt. Hen. Vincent, Esq;
4 at West. † Hugh Boscawen, Esq; Hen. Vincent, Esq;
7 at West. * Honourable James Bridges, Esq; Henry
Vincent, Esq;
9 at West. Hugh Boscawen, Esq; Hen. Vincent, Esq;
12 at West. Will. Collier, Esq; Tho. Hare, Esq;

† In his
Place, chose
for County
of Corn-
wall, Rr.
Hon. Pere-
grine Ber-
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* In his
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for Here-
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Rob. Fur-
nes, Esq;



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*Cressy's
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Hist. p. 224.
Leland's
Itin. Vol. 8.
p. 83.*

*Cressy, ut
supra. 832.*

IN *British, Bosvenna*, and in ancient Charters, *Bodiminnian*, owes its Rise to St. *Petroc*, born of Princely Parentage in *Wales*, who, regardless of his Birth, with sixty Companions, enter'd into a monastical Profession, and afterwards went into *Ireland*; where, having spent twenty Years in Study, he travell'd to *Rome*, and thence return'd into *Britany*, and built a Monastery in *Cornwall*, near a Town then call'd *Loderic*, and *Laffenac*, and afterwards, from his Name, *Petrocstow*, and at this Day, contractedly, *Padstow*, where, having wrought many Miracles, he departed this Life, on the 4th of *June*, Anno 564; and was there bury'd;

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bury'd; from whence he was translated to Bodmin, where a famous Church was built in Honour of him, which became an Episcopal See in the Reign of *Edward the Elder*, Anno 905, when *Athelstan* was nominated to be Bishop hereof; to whom succeeded *Conan*, *Ruydoc*, *Aldred*, and *Britwin*; but when these Bishops were consecrated, or how long they sate at Bodmin, is uncertain; for the *Danes* coming into these Parts, and creating Confusions here, caus'd the Bishops to remove their Episcopal See to *St. Germans*. In this Church of Bodmin were bury'd *St. Petroc*, *St. Credanus*, *St. Melandus*, and *St. Dachun*. In Memory of which first Saint, King *Athelstan*, Anno 926, founded an Abby of *Benedictine* Monks, which being destroy'd by the *Danish* Pirates, A. D. 981, was re-edify'd by *Algar*, about the Year 1110, who plac'd black Canons therein. The Revenues were valu'd, 26 Hen. VIII, at 270*l.* 11*s.* per Annum, *Dugdale*; tho' according to *Speed*, at 289*l.* 11*s.* 11*d.* as may be more fully seen in the *Monasticon*; as may the Life of *St. Petroc* in *Capgrave's Legend*, and *Cressy's Church-History*, where it is largely treated of. To this *St. Petroc* were several Churches in this County and *Devonshire*, dedicated, as *Padstow*, *Lidford*, &c. But to proceed with the History of this Place. At the *Norman* Invasion, *Robert* Earl of *Moreton* and *Cornwall*, the King's Brother, finding the greatest Part of the Possessions of this Priory alienated, as before observ'd, and that some secular Canons had seiz'd the Remainder,

Cressy, ibid.

Leland's Collectanea, Vol. 1. p. 10.

Tanner's Notit. Monast. p. 30.

Dug. Mon. Angl. Vol. 1. p. 213.

ib. Vol. 2. p. 5.

Brady of
Boroughs,
p. 42.

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mainder, he soon became Master of the Revenues, and converted the Lands to his own Use during his Life; after which, Anno 1110, in the Time of Henry I, aforesaid, Algar, with the Assistance of William Warwist, Bishop of Exeter, plac'd black Canons here, who continu'd 'till the Dissolution, Anno 1539; at which Time, Thomas Wandsworth, last Prior of this Place, with nine Monks, surrender'd their Monastery into King Henry VIII's Hands, with the Lands belonging to the same; among which was the Manor of this Town: The Royalty whereof, temp. Will. I. was held by this Church; which had, as *Doomsday-Book* informs us, in *Bodmin*, 68 Houses, and a Market, valu'd at 35 s. per Ann. to which Privilege of a Market, with Claim of a Gallows, Pillory, View of frank Pledge, and a Fair at *Bodmin*, the Prior of this Place certify'd his Right in *Edward I's* Time. However, the same became leas'd to the Burgeses, who held the Toll at a certain Fee-Farm Rent of the Convent, as the Corporation does, at this Day, as I presume, of the Lord of the Town, tho' they pay out of it a Salary of 15 l. per Ann. to a School, which the King augments with 5 l. per Ann. more out of the *Exchequer*. The Toll and Lands belonging to this Corporation, are reckon'd above 200 l. per Ann.

The Town of *Bodmin* is govern'd by a Mayor and 36 Burgeses, which are call'd Common Council of the Town and Borough. The Election of the Mayor is yearly

ly, the 24th of September, who, with the Town-Clerk and preceding Mayor, are Justices of the Peace within the said Borough, and have a Power to take Recognizance of Debts, and Liberty of trying Causes within themselves, and a Common Seal for all Grants; which Privileges and Immunities were ratify'd and confirm'd by Queen *Elizabeth*, Anno 36 of her Reign, as may be seen at large in that Queen's Grant; tho', since her Time, the Style of the Corporation is somewhat chang'd, here being now twelve Aldermen, as I am inform'd, (out of which the Mayor is chose) and twenty four Common Council Men, and a Town-Clerk. The Members of Parliament are chosen by the Majority of the Corporation. The present Lord of the Manor is, as I am inform'd, the Earl of *Radnor*, whose Grandfather *John Robartes*, Lord *Robartes* of *Truro*, was created Viscount *Bodmin* and Earl of *Radnor*, by Letters-Patent dated July 23, 1679, (*Anno* 31 Car. II.) I presume this Manor was purchas'd by this Family, temp. Jac. I. By Inquisitions, *post mortem*, taken at the Beginning of King *Charles* the 1st's Reign, I find Sir *Francis Robartes*, Kt. Son and Heir of Sir *Edward Robartes*, who dy'd Sept. 3, Anno 3 Car. I, seiz'd of this Manor of *Bodmin*. He left Issue *Hugh* his Son and Heir, sixteen Years, six Months, and 22 Days old.

That this Place was early privileg'd as *Madox's* a Borough, may be gather'd from ancient *Hist. of the* Records. Anno 26 Hen. II, the Burgesses of *Exchequer*, *Bodmin* were amerced 100s. for setting up a Gild 391.

Brady of
Boroughs,
p. 45.

R. Cart.
An. 9. E.
3. m. 10.
n. 41.

Gild without Warrant; on which Account, I suppose, they got it confirm'd by Richard Earl of this County, temp. Hen. III, who granted to the Prior and Canons of Bodmin, a free Merchant-Gild in this Town, and that their Burgeses should be free and quit of all Customs and Exactions throughout all Cornwall on Payment of the yearly Rent of 43 s. 4d. This Charter is recited by *Inspeximus*, dated, September 9, Anno 13 E. I, which was by that King ratify'd, as it was afterwards by Edward the III'd's Charter, dated at York the 4th of June, who grants the said Prior, Canons, and their Burgeses, Liberty of buying and selling of Wooll and other Merchandises, and to be Toll-free throughout all Cornwall

The Town of Bodmin consists chiefly of one large Street, near a Mile in Length, extending from East to West. It had formerly several Churches and Chapels, all which are ruin'd, except one in present Use, which heretofore belong'd to the Priory; the Ruins of some of them are still visible, particularly of the Parish-Church dedicated to St. Petroc, which stood at the East End of the Town, and was surrounded with several Houses, of which nothing remains now but the Foundations. The Tower of this Church is standing, which shews it to have been a well-built Fabrick. Here was, besides this Church, an House of Grey Friars, begun on the South Part of the Town, by John of London, a Merchant, and augmented by Edmund Earl of Cornwall, to which Sir Hugh and Sir Tho. Peverell,

Ieland's
Itin. Vol.
2. p. 62.

Peeverell, Kts. bury'd therein, were Benefactors. Here was also another Chapel, besides that at the *West* End of the Town, and an Alms-House, but not endow'd. The same Author, viz. *Leland*, informs us, that the Town of *Bodmin* acknowledg'd King *Atbelstan* as the chief Erector and Giver of Privileges to it; and that the late Priory stood at the *East* End of the Parish-Church-Yard, and there was also a notable Tomb in it of *Thomas Vivian*, late-Prior, and Suffragan, by the Title of *Megarense* (which I take to be *Maker* near *Plimouth*, a noted Land and Sea-Mark in these Parts.) Of this *Vivian* see *Antony à Wood's Athen. Oxon. Vol. 1. p. 554.* In this Church was a Shrine or Tomb of *St. Petroc*: Here is yet in Being a goodly Font, standing upon four Pillars all of one Stone; and the old Stalls continue still in the Chancel or Choir, with some Remains of the Organ; but what this Church was chiefly remarkable for, was its Spire-Steeple, which, about thirty Years since, was thrown down by Lightning. However, the Tower still stands, being a broad strong Building, plac'd about the middle, on the *North* Side of the Church, which is the chief Ornament of the Town, it being a very large Fabrick, and reckon'd the biggest in *Cornwall*, as the Town itself was in King *Henry* the VIIIth's Time; however, it is since so decay'd, that it hardly boasts of half the Number of Houses and Inhabitants it then had.

In the Survey of the *Chantries*, given in *Anno 2 Edw. VI*, here were estimated double

the Number of Houseling People, to what were then in *Leskard*, which was, next to this, more numerous than any other Place in *Cornwall*. In this Chantry-Roll we have an Account of an Hospital call'd *St. Laurence's*, founded to find nineteen *Lazare* Men, and two whole Men, and two whole Women, and a Priest to minister to them in a Chapel adjoining to the said Hospital. It mentions also a Chantry call'd *St. John Baptists*, or *Naylor's Chantry*, founded in the Parish-Church by one *Naylor*, to find a Priest to celebrate for ever in the said Church. When this was erected, appears by the following Patent dated at *Westminster*, *July 1, Ann. 14 Edw. IV*; at which Time that Prince "gave
Ex Rot. Cantar. in "License to *Laurence* Bishop of *Durham*,
Cur. Augment. " *John* Bishop of *Exeter*, and *John Naylor*,
Ex Archiv. in Turri Lond. " to found a Chantry in the Parish-Church
 " of *St. Petroc* in *Bodmin*, or in the Conventual Church of the Priory of *St. Petroc*
 " there, by the Name of the Chantry of
 " *Stephen Naylor* of *Bodmin*, and endow it
 " with the Value of 6 *l. per Ann.* This *Naylor* was one of the Chancery-Clerks.

EDWARD I.

- 23 *P. at West.* *John Couling*, *Rich. de St. Margaret.*
 26 *at York,* *Stephen Cook*, *Ric. de la Pool.*
 30 *at London,* *Ric. de la Pool*, *John Baby.*
 32 *at West.* *Will. Carnbal*, *Nic. Flandu.*
 33 *at West.* *Will. Carnbal*, *John Dira.*
 35 *at Carlisle,* *John le Ros*, *Ric. le Gros.*

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EDWARD II.

- 1 P. at Northton, John de Bodcarme, Ric. Preist.
- 2 at West. Will. Carburra, Espric Hameley.
- 4 at West. Ric. Chappeleyne, Walter Fleggard.
- 4 at London, Adam Strode, Ric. Chan.
- 6 at West. John Coulin, Will. Carballa.
- 6 at West. John Scarlet, Baldwin de Polgrun.
- 6 at West. Serlo Coynte, Will. de Pafford.
- 7 at West. Ralf de Bodymell, Amadis de Bodemyn.
- 8 at West. Will. Carburra, Will. Coulin.
- 8 at York, Amadis de Bodmyn, Will. de Wroftok.
- 12 at York, Amadis de Taverner, Ric. de Carburra.
- 12 at York, Amadis de Taverner, Ric. Carpreist.
- 15 at York, John Bigloun, Ric. Lodoung.
- 15 at York, John Tuck, Nic. Tregit.
- 19 at West. John Cecely, Hen. de Trethewy.
- 20 at West. John de Eglosheile, Rob. de Laundrarne.

EDWARD III.

- 1 P. at York, Ric. Bagg, Rob. Stubb.
- 1 at Linc. Nic. Somnour, Howel de Cinglas.
- 2 at Northton. Amadis de Bodmyn, Will. Tregoun.
- 2 at New Sarum, Will. Fitz-Robert, Hugh Clerk.
- 4 at Winchester, Rob. Fitz-William, Rob. Bron.
- 4 at West. John de Polmerioia, Michael Waffell.
- 6 at West. Will. Refrawell, Roger de Carburra.
- 9 at West. John Billon, Henry Billon.
- 9 at York, John de Carballa, Rob. Preist.
- 11 at West. Hen. de Trewynard, Will. Scior.
- 12 at West. Tho. Goldsmyth, John Polmorna.
- 12 at York, Ric. Caprust, Amadis Carballa.
- 12 at Northton. Roger Niwell, Warin Trebell.
- 12 at West. Roger Carburra, John Fitz-Roger.
- 13 at West. John Blake, Rob. Pentquit, jun.
- 14 at West. Roger Pentquit, John Blake.
- 14 at West. Roger Blake, Walter Dyn.
- 15 at West. Will. Scarlet, John de Treworgy.
- 17 at West. Walter Balaham, John de la Brun.
- 20 at West. John Blafs, John Buggell.
- 21 at West. John Peuri, Roger de Carburra.
- 22 at West. John Reyneward, Roger Kibwinmith.

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- 24 *P. at West.* John Tremayne, Ivo Crabbe.
 25 *at West.* John de Trémayne, Ivo Crabbe.
 29 *at West.* John Tremayne, John Caeron,
 31 *at West.* John Nanstanell, John Dant.
 34 *at West.* John Palmernie, John Martine.
 34 *at West.* John Hamely, Ralf Trevisa.
 36 *at West.* Ralf Restalock, Matthew Dabuoun.
 38 *at West.* John Upcote, Matthew Dabuoun.
 42 *at West.* Tho. Ford, John Ude.
 43 *at West.* Tho. Ford, Reginald Fatta.
 45 *Council at Winchester,* John Jowell.
 47 *P. at West.* John Simmond, Roger Rogger.
 50 *at West.* John Crikledene, Nicolas Bokelle.

RICHARD II.

- 1 *P. at West.* John Ivell, Rob. Forde.
 2 *at Glouc.* Roger Rogger, Stephen Bant.
 6 *at West.* John Swailly, John Britton.
 7 *at West.* John Breton, Rob. Nevile.
 7 *at New Sarum,* Will. Britton, John Britton.
 8 *at West.* John Britton, Walter Bloion.
 9 *at West.* Stephen Bant, John Turgoizell.
 10 *at West.* John Britton, Hen. Banom.
 11 *at West.* Stephen Bant, John Syreston.
 12 *at Cambridge,* John Breton, Hen. Bandyn.
 13 *at West.* John Britton, Hen. Daunden.
 15 *at West.* John Britton, Tho. Bere.
 16 *at Winch.* John Britton, John Drewe.
 18 *at West.* John Treges, Tho. Bere.
 20 *at West.* Tho. Bere, Stephen Trevewith.
 21 *at West.* John Trelenny, John Breton.

HENRY IV.

- 1 *P. at West.* James Hillop, John Burgh.
 3 *at West.* John Nevoll, Will. Slingsby.
 4 *at West.* John Nicholl, Will. Slingsby.
 8 *at Gloucester,* Michael Froden, Nicolas Stoge.
 11 *at West.* Orho Tregonan, Will. Gayfle.
 12 *at West.* Orho Tuegonan, John Wise.

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HENRY V.

- 1 P. at Leicester, John Butts, Rob. Trewage.
- 2 at West. John Butt, Osho Tregovan.
- 3 at West. John Michell, Will. Slingsby.
- 3 at West. Otto Tregovan, Nic. Jop.
- 5 at West. Otto Tregovan, John Trewaffe.
- 7 at West. John Tredekk, Nicolas Bony.
- 8 at West. Rob. Treyard, Will. Panter.

HENRY VI.

- 1 P. at West. Rob. Trefithny, John Wyse.
- 2 at West. John Cork, Tho. Cokyn.
- 3 at West. John Nicholl, Otto Treganon.
- 4 at Leicester, Tho. Browne, Walter Pers.
- 6 at West. Ric. Trefithay, John Poheden.
- 8 at West. Will. Penfoun, Walter Moyle.
- 9 at West. Will. Penfoun, Adam Peyntour.
- 11 at West. Nic. Roche, Tho. Hertford.
- 13 at West. Ric. Tregoy, John Trote.
- 14 at West. Ric. Tregoy, John Trote.
- 15 at Cam. James Flambank, Tho. Lannergy.
- 20 at West. Tho. Lucomb, John Trefrye.
- 25 at West. John Pay, Will. Denband.
- 27 at West. Nic. Bokelly, Tho. Lannergy.
- 28 at West. Tho. Lanergy, Will. Bisthop.
- 31 at Reading, John Gargrave, John Coke.
- 33 at West. Bartholomew Trote, Will. Bedestan.

EDWARD IV.

- 7 P. at West. John Devyok, John Moyle.
- 12 at West.
- 17 at West.

EDWARD VI.

- 1 P. at West.
- 6 at West. John Capelayn, Randal Chaintly.

MARY.

MARY.

- 1 P. at West. Hen. Chiverton, Esq; Tho. Mildemaye, Esq;
 1 at Oxf. Hen. Chiverton, Esq; John Sullard, Esq;

PHILIP & MARY.

- 1 & 2 P. at West. John Courtney, Ralph Michel.
 2 & 3 at West. Tho. Williams, Esq; Hum. Cavell, Esq;
 4 & 5 at West. Walter Hungerford, Kt. John Nor-
 ris, Esq;

ELIZABETH.

- 1 P. at West. John Mallet, Esq; Francis Browne, Esq;
 5 at West. John Mallet, Esq; Francis Browne, Esq;
 13 at West. Humfry Smith, Esq; John Kestell, Gent.
 14 at West. Tho. Cromwell, Esq; Edm. Powley, Esq;
 27 at West. John Andeley, Gilbert Mitchel, Gent.
 28 at West. Brutus Browne, Gent. Emanuel Cha-
 mond, Gent.
 31 at West. Hugh Beston, Esq; Emanuel Chamond.
 35 at West. Anthony Bennett, Ric. Cannock.
 39 at West. Bernard Greenville, High Sheriff of Corn-
 wall, John Herbert, Esq;
 43 at West. Will. Lower, Esq; John Piggot, Esq;

JAMES I.

- 1 P. at West. John Stone, Gent. Nic. Sprale, Gent.
 12 at West. VI. C. R. A. W. C. I.
 18 at West. John Trevor, Kt. James Bagge, jun. Gent.
 21 at West. Tho. Stafford, Kt. Charles Berkeley, Kt.

CHARLES I.

- 1 P. at West. Rob. Cæsar, Esq; Hen. Jermyn, Esq;
 1 at West. Ric. Weston, Kt. Chancellor of the Exche-
 quer, Hen. Jermyn, Esq;
 3 at West. Rob. Killigrew, Kt. Humf. Nichols, Esq;
 15 at West. Ric. Prideaux, Esq; Ric. Wynne, Kt. & Bart.
 16 at West. John Arundell, Esq; Anthony Nicholls, Esq;
 Tho. Waller, Esq;

CHARLES

CHARLES II.

- 11 P. at West. Hender Robarts, Esq; John Silly, Esq; Peter Killigrew, Kt } Double
Return.
12 at West. John Carew, Bart. Hender Robarts, Esq; James Smith, Kt. Bernard Greenville, Esq; } Double
Return;
the last
taken off.
31 at West. Hender Robarts, Esq; Nic. Glynn, Esq;
31 at West. Hender Robarts, Esq; Nic. Glynn, Esq;
32 at Oxon. Hender Robarts, Esq; Nic. Glynn, Esq;

JAMES II.

- 1 P. at West. Hender Robarts, Esq; Nic. Glynn, Esq;

WILLIAM & MARY.

- 1 P. at West. John Cutler, Kt. & Bart. Nic. Glynn, Esq;
2 at West. † John Cutler, Kt. & Bart. Nic. Glynn, Esq; † In his
Place, de-
ceas'd,
Honourable

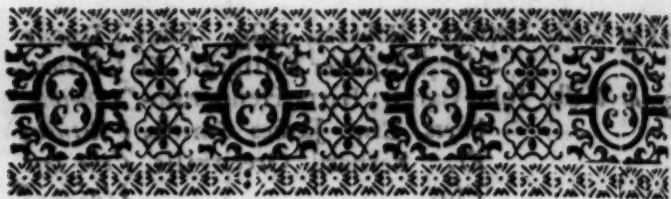
WILLIAM III.

- 7 P. at West. Hon. Russell Robartes, Esq; John Hoblyn, Esq; Russell
10 at West. Hon. Russell Robartes, Esq; John Hoblyn, Esq; Robartes,
12 at West. Hon. Russell Robartes, Esq; John Hoblyn, Esq; Esq;
13 at West. Hon. Russell Robartes, Esq; John Hoblyn, Esq;

ANNE.

- 1 P. at West. John Hoblyn, Esq; * Right Honourable * In his
John How, Esq; Place, cho's'd
4 at West. † John Hoblyn, Esq; Honourable Francis Robartes, Esq; for Co.
Gloucestr.
7 at West. Honourable Russell Robartes, Esq; John Francis
Trevanion, Esq; Robartes,
9 at West. Honourable Russell Robartes, Esq; Honour- Esq;
able Francis Robartes, Esq; † In his
12 at West. Honourable Francis Robartes, Esq; Tho. Place, de-
Selater, Esq; ceas'd Tho.
Herne,
Esq;

CHARLES II.



BOROUGH

OF

HELSTON,



N. Cornish Hellas, from the Salt-Water thereabouts, is, in Doomsday-Book, mention'd as the King's Demefne; ever since which, I find it has continu'd in the Crown, and been held from King John's Time, to this present, by the Townsmen of the Kings of England, or the Earls or Dukes of Cornwall, or of some Noblemen Lessees, under a certain Quit-Rent, which the Corporation at this Day pay for the Tolls, &c. of the Town, enjoy'd by them by Virtue of the said King John's Charter, who made Helleston a free Borough, and granted the Burgeses of the said Town a Merchant.

Merchant-Gild, and that they should be free from Toll, &c. saving the Privileges of the City of London; and that they should not be impleaded, but in the Borough, and enjoy the same Liberties as the Burgeses of the Castle of Launceston had in the Time of Henry II, his Father, for which they paid a Fine of 40 Marks, and one Palfrey, and for obtaining the Vill in Fee-Farm, which the King granted to the Burgeses, paying annually the usual Rent, and 4*l.* Increase, (which was equal to the said Farm-Rent it self) as appears by his Charter, dated the 18th Day of April, in the second Year of his Reign, (three Days after the first Charter;) all which Customs these Burgeses certify'd their Claim to Anno 30, Edw. I. And in the Reign of King Edward III, they procur'd a Saturday Market, to be bolden every Week here; and four Fairs yearly, viz. on the Eve, Day, and Morrow of St. Simon and Jude; on the Eve, Day, and Morrow of Palm-Sunday; on the Eve, Day, and Morrow of St. Cyricus and Julitta, (which is observ'd on the 9th of July;) and on the Eve, Day, and Morrow of the Decollation of St. John-Baptist. The same King also recites by Inspeximus, King John's Charter, and the Confirmation thereof, by Richard King of the Romans, who, by his Charter dated at Launceston, Jan. 6, in the third Tear of his Reign, farther grants them the Mills without the Town, and Liberty of building others upon the Water belonging to the Town, and 33 Acres of Land adjoining to it, to hold in Fee-Farm, paying yearly 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* Both which he con-

Madox's
Hist. of the
Exchequer,
p. 278.

R. Cart.
An. 2. Joh.
p. 1. m. 50.

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70 Inhabitants
 firms again in the 10th Year of his Reign. A considerable Time after which, this Town was incorporated by the Name of Mayor and Commonalty, Anno 27 Eliz. who appointed a Mayor and four Aldermen, who are to be of the Common-Council, and chuse twenty four Assistants; which Charter, with the former ancient ones, were confirm'd by King Charles I, who granted, That the Mayor, Recorder, and preceding Mayor, should be Justices of the Peace within the Borough, and keep a Quarter-Sessions. The Representatives of this Place have been always elected by the sworn Free-men of the Corporation, who are about 70 Inhabitants, and about ten Out-Burgessees, or Free-men.

The Borough, as before said, is held of the Crown, under the Fee-Farm Rent, as above, viz. of 13 l. 6 s. 8 d. but the Duke of Cornwall is Lord of the Manor, which lies partly in Helston, and partly in Guendron.

The Town of Helston is situate between Hills on every Side, but not in a Flat, or Bottom, every Street being somewhat hilly, or fleeting, with a little Channel running thro' it. 'Tis built in the Form of a Cross, having four chief Streets, and one By-Street, and some little Lanes. These four conjoin, as it were, in the Center, where is a large Market-House of 120 Feet in Length, and 20 in Breadth; at the Northern End is a convenient Guildhall. The first Street is call'd Meneage-Street; the second Coynage-Street, from the Tin-Coynage-Hall at one End of it, this being one of the four Stan-nery;

pery, or Coynage-Towns; the third *Wendron-Street*, because it leads to the Mother-Church of that Name, to which the Town-Church, or Chapel, is only a Daughter (as the Phrase is in these Parts;) the fourth is nam'd *Church-Street*, from the Church, or Chapel, being situate at the extreame Part of it; which Church, annex'd to the Vicaridge of *Guendron*, or *Wendron*, before-mention'd, (the Vicar of which serves both Places) is a large Building, and is dedicated to *St. Michael*; on which Saint's Festival, the Mayor of this Place is annually chosen. It has, at the *West End*, a Steeple of about 90 Foot, consisting of a Tower and Spire, which is a Mark at Sea. 'Tis 126 Feet in Length, and 41 in Breadth, and kept in good Repair, this Town being very happy in having no Dissenters. Here was formerly a Castle, and a Priory dedicated to *St. John Baptist*, endow'd, at the Dissolution, with 12 l. 16 s. per Annum, *Dugdale*; 14 l. 7 s. 4 d. *Speed*. *Leland* speaks of an Hospital of *St. John* standing at the *South-West End* of the Town, of the Foundation of one *Killigrew*; which, I suppose, is the same Place. He also remarks, that here was a Mayor in his Time.

At the Poll-Tax taken in the Year 1694, here were 1348 Inhabitants included in it; but their Number is since augmented.

EDWARD

EDWARD I.

- 23 P. at West. Ralph de Rosmayn, Yvo de Kellyheslan.
 26 at York, Hervey Fitz-Smith, Will. le Tailleur.
 34 at West. Reginald de Trevigi, John de Trelegen.
 33 at West. Reginald de Trivorgi, John de Trelegen.
 35 at Carlisle, John le Clerk, Rob. le Tailleur.

EDWARD II.

- 2 P. at West. Walter de Cuswyn, Will. de Trelange.
 4 at West. Gervase Brai, Ivo Kesselesland.
 8 at West. Gervase de Bray, Reginald Taylur.
 61 at West. John Browne, Walter Haregell.
 7 at West. Gervase de Bray, Will. Herbert.
 8 at West. Gervase de Bray, Will. Poer.
 12 at York, Will. Rauff, John Gervas.
 12 at York, Michael Bodman, John Gerves.
 19 at West. John le Trehane, David de Attrenon.
 20 at West. John de Trethwell, Rob. de Lestre.

EDWARD III.

- 2 P. at Northton. Will. Waryn, Philip de Loftwythiel.
 2 at York, Will. Warin, Philip de Loftwythiel.
 4 at West. John de Lanlowen, John de Antrevon.
 4 at West. Rob. Landrath, John de Antrevon.
 5 at West. John Skewis.
 6 at West. John Jerveis, John Boon.
 9 at York, John de Antrevon, Andrew Fitz Osbert Hare.
 10 at West. John Billon de Eglesherst, John de Allestone.
 11 at West. John Crochard, Richard Biry.
 12 at West. Ranulph Petriern, Rob. Mayndy.
 12 at York, Nic. Godman, John Jerveis.
 12 at Northton. John Gerveys, John Nywellin.
 13 at West. John Gerveys, John Boon.
 14 at West. John Gerveys, Will. Rauff.
 15 at West. John Tremayne, John Godman.
 17 at West. John de Bokelly, Ralf de Trembleythek.
 20 at West. Nic. Helleston, Adam Antrou.
 21 at West. John Andreu, Ric. Collard.

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- 22 P. at West. Will. Lamergh, John de St. Ticheat.
- 24 at West. John Godman, John Helleston.
- 25 at York, John Billoun, John Tremaine.
- 25 at West. John Billoun, John Tremaine.
- 25 at West. John Godman.
- 29 at West. Will. Trevenard, John Hamley.
- 31 at West. John Killion, John Hamley.
- 34 at West. John Carvelek, Tho. Gerveys.
- 34 at West. John Hamely, Tho. Gerveys.
- 36 at West. Ralf Kistatill, John Knapper.
- 37 at West. Tho. Gerveys, John Hamely.
- 38 at West. John Isaac, John Tremayne.
- 42 at West. John Tremaine, Ralf Trevisa.
- 43 at West. John Firz-Richard, John Reed.
- 45 Council at Winchester, John Tremaine.
- 46 P. at West. No Return.

- 47 at West. Will. Glacen, Henry Chorenthale.
- 50 at West. John Tremaine, John Reed.

RICHARD II.

- 1 P. at West. Tho. Nanfan, Walter Senescal.
- 2 at Gloucester, Michael Gerveys, Rob. Bouyman.
- 3 at West. Hen. Chinalis, John Deyman.
- 6 at West. John Villan, Roger Treweat.
- 7 at West. Roger Trewithinel, John Urban.
- 7 at New Sarum, John Bodely, Will. Bodrigan.
- 8 at West. John Bodily, John Urban.
- 9 at West. John Urban, Roger Purwichvele.
- 10 at West. Roger Trewichevek, John Urban.
- 11 at West. Tho. Tregadereth, Roger Trewicheveke.
- 12 at Cambridge, Tho. Bray, John Symon.
- 13 at West. John Urban, Roger Trewithnek.
- 16 at West. John Treris, Michael Treris.
- 18 at West. Roger Trethunek, Roger Skymes.
- 20 at West. John Urban, Tho. Bevill.
- 21 at West. John Pengersfke, John Skywin.

HENRY IV.

- 1 P. at West. John Pengersfke, Roger Tiewythe.
- 3 at West. Roger Tredevek, John Masselegh.
- 8 at Gloucester, John Pengersfke, Matthew Okewys.
- 11 at West. Ric. Bragysch, John Pengersfke.

12 P.

Borough of HELSTON.

- 12 P. at West. Tho. Pollour, Michael Gerveys.
 12 at West, Tho. Glasings, Tho. Polour.

HENRY V.

- 1 P. at West. Tho. Trefredow, Tho. Polglas.
 2 at West. John Clynk, John Bakere.
 3 at West. Rob. Treiage, John Glasen.
 5 at West. John Glasen, Tho. Gurryboys.
 7 at West. John Trich, John Coke.
 7 at Gloucester, Walter Bodrigny, Will. Pettalewy.
 8 at West. Will. Trethaek.
 9 at West. Will. Penpons, Adam Vivyan.

HENRY VI.

- 1 P. at West. David Urban, Nicolas Ayshton.
 3 at West. Nic. Ayshton, Will. Richard.
 4 at Leicester, John Nychol, Stephen Morice.
 6 at West. Nic. Ayshton, David Urban.
 8 at West. Tho. Roscrick, Adam Vyvyan.
 9 at West. John Penpont, John Hert.
 11 at West. John Clay, Mark Borlas.
 13 at West. John Lannereth, Tho. Bere.
 14 at West. John Lannereth, Tho. Bere.
 15 at Cambridge, Rob. Penpos, Tho. Tredek.
 20 at West. Ric. Penpos, John Penros.
 25 at Cambridge, Will. Menwumek, Stephen Calpis.
 27 at West. Tho. Sage, Tho. Pennarth.
 28 at West. Tho. Pennarth. Edw. Newton.
 31 at Reading, John Archer, Tho. Baron.
 33 at West. Roger Trecurden, sen. Roger Trecurden, jun.

EDWARD IV.

- 7 P. at West. Edw. Gower, Will. Havely.
 12 P. at West.
 17 at West.

EDWARD VI.

- 1 P. at West.
 6 at West. Tho. Mildmay, Rob. Docat.

MARY.

MARY.

- 1 P. at West. Will. Bendlows, Hen. Naufe.
1 at Oxford, Will. St. Aubyn, John Keyme.

PHILIP & MARY.

- 1 & 2 P. at West. Reginald Throkmorton, Esq; Will.
St. Awbyn, Esq;
2 & 3 at West. Tho. Mildmay, Esq; Edw. Nevill,
Esq;
4 & 5 at West. Peter Martin, Esq; Thomas Mild-
may, Esq;

ELIZABETH.

- 1 P. at West. Will. Porter, John Dudley.
5 at West. Will. Porter, John Dudley.
13 at West. Edw. Bray, Kt. John Gayry, Gent.
14 at West. John Vyvyan, Esq; Will. Killigrew, Esq;
27 at West. Humfry Prideaux, Esq; Will. Lewes, Gent.
28 at West. Hannibal Vyvyan, Esq; William Godol-
phin, Esq;
31 at West. Will. Buggin of London, Esq; Christo-
pher Osberne, Gent.
35 at West. Will. Gardener of Bermondsey, Reinold
Knevit, Esq;
39 at West. Will. Cook, Esq; Nic. Sanders, Esq;
43 at West. Hannibal Vivian, Esq; Will. Twisden, Esq;

JAMES I.

- 1 P. at West. John Leigh, Kt. * John Bogans, Mayor.
12 at West.
18 at West. Will. Napper, Tho. Stafford, Kt.
21 at West. Francis Carew, Esq; Tho. Carew, Esq;

* In his
Place, de-
ceas'd,
Robert
Naunton,
Esq;

CHARLES I.

- 1 P. at West. Francis Carew, Esq; Tho. Carew, Esq;
1 at West. Francis Carew, Esq; Francis Godolphin,
Esq;

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- 3 P. at West. Sidney Godolphin, Esq; Will. Noy, Esq;
 15 at West. William Godolphin, Esq; Sidney Godolphin, Esq;
 16 at West. Francis Godolphin, Esq; Sidney Godolphin, Esq;
 John Penrose, Esq; John Thomas, Esq;

CHARLES II.

- 12 P. at West. Peter Killigrew, Kt. John Silly. } Double
 Antony Bous, Alex. Penhelirk. } Return.
 || In their 13 at West. || Peter Killigrew, Kt. || Tho. Robinson, Esq
 Places, 31 at West. Will. Godolphin, Bart. Viell Vivian, Bart.
 Will. Godolphin, 31 at West. Viell Vivian, Bart. Sidney Godolphin,
 Bart. Sidney Godolphin, Esq;
 Esq; 32 at Oxford, Charles Godolphin, Esq; Sidney Godolphin, Esq;

JAMES II.

- 1 P. at West. Cha. Godolphin, Esq; Sidney Godolphin, Esq;

WILLIAM & MARY.

- 1 P. at West. John St. Austyn, Charles Godolphin, Esq;
 2 at West. John St. Austin, Bart. Charles Godolphin, Esq;

WILLIAM III.

- 7 P. at West. Francis Godolphin, Esq; Charles Godolphin, Esq;
 10 at West. Sidney Godolphin, Esq; Charles Godolphin, Esq;
 12 at West. Charles Godolphin, Esq; Sidney Godolphin, Esq;
 13 at West. Francis Godolphin, Esq; Sidney Godolphin, Esq;

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ANNE.

- 1 P. at West. Francis Godolphin, Esq; Sidney Godolphin, Esq;
 4 at West. Sidney Godolphin, Esq; Honourable Francis Godolphin, Esq;
 7 at West. (a) Right Honourable Francis Lord Viscount Rialton, Sidney Godolphin, Esq; (a) In his Place, chose
 9 at West. (b) George Granville, Esq; Sidney Godolphin, Esq; for Co. Oxford,
 12 at West. (c) Henry Champion, Esq; (d) Charles John Evelyn, Esq;
 (b) In his Place, chose for the County of Cornwall, Robert Child, Esq;
 (c) In his Place, chose for the County of Sussex, Alexander Pendarvis, Esq;
 (d) In his Place, chose for the City of Gloucester, Tho. Tonkin, Esq;



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BOROUGH OF SALTASH,



Carew's
Survey of
Cornwall,
p. 112.

Formerly call'd *Essa*, receives its first Denomination from its standing on the Sea, and to distinguish it from other Places of the same Name. It is, as *Carew* tells us, situate on the Declivity of a steep Hill, and consisteth of 3 Streets, which are cleans'd by every Shower; and comprizeth between 80 and 100 House-holds, (tho', since that Author's Time, and the erecting the new Dock at *Plymouth*, the Houses are much increas'd, and may now be computed at about double that Number.) This Town has several large Privileges over the Haven appertaining to it, viz. an yearly Rent of Boats and Barges, Anchorage of strange Shipping, and dragging of Oysters, except between Candlemas and Easter, &c. All which Liberties it deriv'd from the Castle of *Trematon*, the Head of that Honour, and one of the chief Seats of the Earls and Dukes of *Cornwall*, which (tho' ruinous and decay'd) is yet standing in the Parish of *St. Stephen's*, to which Church *Saltash* has only a Chapel of Ease, dedicated to *St. Nicholas*, a decent Building, containing a Body and *South-Isle*, with a Tower at the *West End* 57 Feet and an half in Height. At this

Castle

Castle of Trematon, we find, in *Doomsday-Book*, the Earl of Moreton and Cornwall had a Market; which was afterwards, no doubt, translated to Saltashe, where 'tis now weekly kept on Saturdays; tho' besides this on Saturdays, Saltashe has a Claim of a Tuesday one; however, only the former is observ'd. Here are also two Fairs, on July 25 and February 2; the Toll of which, with the Manor, &c. of the Borough, on Payment of a Fee-Farm of 18 l. per Annum, is vested in the Corporation, who held the same of the Dutchy of Cornwall, before King William the III^d granted it to the Lord Somers, on whom he bestow'd the Fee-Farm Rents of the whole Dutchy: But out of the said Chief-Rent is paid (as I apprehend) 7 l. per Annum to the Free-School of this Town, it being endow'd with that Sum by the Crown. This School adjoins to the Chapel, and not far from thence is an handsome Market-House, or Town-Hall, for the Uses of the Corporation; which, by the present Charter now in Force, (for it has had several) obtain'd An. 1682, 35 Car. II. consists of a Mayor and 6 Aldermen, who are styl'd the Council of the Borough, and have Liberty to chuse a Recorder. These, with about 20 Free-men, or Burgeses, possessing certain Free-holds in the Borough, elect the Members of Parliament, which this Place first sent in Edward IV's Time, and never before, tho' it is a very ancient Borough, being so made by Reginald de Valletort, Lord of the Castle and Honour of Trematon, or his Ancestors, who purchas'd the Honour of Moreton, with the Castle of Trematon, in King Henry

Brady of
Boroughs,
p. 45.

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Vol. 1. p.
502.

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p. 459.

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Ang. Vol.
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p. 70.

Henry the II^d's Reign. This *Reginald*, who liv'd in the Time of King *John*, and dy'd 30 Hen. III, granted to his Burgesles of *Essa*, all the Liberties and Customs which they had in the Time of his Ancestors, which were many; among others, that of chusing their own Bayliff, or Mayor, and of having the whole Toll of Bread, &c. All which were confirm'd by King *Richard II*, in the fifth Year of his Reign; as also *Reginald*'s making *Saltaſhe* a free Borough. To this *Reginald* succeeded *Ralph de Valletort*, and to him another *Reginald*; and lastly, *Roger*, who having no Issue, sold the Castle of *Trematon*, with its Appurtenances, consisting of 59 Knights Fees, to *Richard* Earl of *Cornwall*, King *Henry III*'s Brother. However, *Henry de Pomeray*, his next Cousin and Heir, challeng'd some Property therein, which, for an Annuity of 40 l. per Annum, he releas'd his Right and Title in, to *Edward* Prince of *Wales*, by Deed dated Feb. 15, Anno 12 *Edw. III*; when that King, upon creating his said Son Prince *Edward*, (in Parliament at *Westminster*, the Monday after *St. Matthias*) Duke of *Cornwall*, for the better Support of that Honour, granted him (*inter alia*) the Castle and Manor of *Trematon*, with the Town of *Saltaſhe*, and Park thereto belonging, to have to him and his Heirs, Dukes of *Cornwall*, eldest Sons of the Kings of *England*. This King also granted the Advowson of the Church of *St. Stephen*'s, with the Tithes of *Saltaſhe*, to his Collegiate Church of *Windsor*, by Charter dated May 2, Anno Regni 25. In King *Richard* the II^d's Time, and *Henry* the VIth's, when *Thomas* Earl of

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of Kent, held *Ashburgh*, and afterwards Sir *John Cornwayle*, Kt. Lord *Fanhope*, who obtained a Grant of the same after him of the Prince of *Wales* in *Henry* the IVth's Time, &c. as may be seen in the *Baronage*, Vol. 2. pag. 212.

EDWARD VI.

6 P. at West. Geo. Kekewych, Esq; Edw. Sanders.

MARY.

1 P. at West. Tho. Martin, Ric. Weston.

1 at Oxford, Peter Seynithiell, Humfry Cowell.

PHILIP & MARY.

1 & 2 P. at West. Humfry Cavell, Esq; Oliver Debert.

2 & 3 at West. . . . Nowell, Esq; Nicolas —

4 & 5 at West. Thomas Williams, Esq; Francis Yaxley, Esq;

ELIZABETH.

1 P. at West.

5 at West. Tho. Carewe, Esq; James Dalton, Esq;

13 at West. James Dalton, Esq; Tho. Page, Gent.

14 at West. Will. Page, Gent. James Dalton, Gent.

27 at West. Will. Carewe of Anthony, Esq; William Clerk, I. L. D.

28 at West. John Ackland, Esq; Geo. Carewe, Gent.

31 at West. Arthur Gorge, Esq; Geo. Carewe, Gent.

35 at West. Humfry Michell, Esq; Ric. Leeche, Esq;

39 at West. Gregory Donhall, Esq; Elizeus Winne, Esq;

43 at West. Rob. Crosse, Kt. Alexander Nevill, Esq;

JAMES I.

1 P. at West. Peter-Manwood de St. Stephens, Kt. Tho. Wywell, Gent.

12 P.

- 12 P. at West.
 18 at West. Tho. Trevor, Kt. Tho. Smith, Kt.
 21 at West. Tho. Trevor, Kt. Francis Buller, Esq;

CHARLES I.

- 1 P. at West. Francis Buller, Esq; Ric. Buller, Kt.
 1 at West. John Heyward, Kt. Ric. Buller, Kt.
 3 at West. Ric. Buller, Kt. Francis Cottingham, Kt.
 and Bart.
 15 at West. George Buller, Esq; Fra. Buller, Esq;
 16 at West. George Buller, Esq; Edw. Hide, Esq;
 John Thynne, Esq; Hen. Wylls, Esq;

CHARLES II.

- 12 P. at West.
 31 at West. Francis Buller, Esq; John Buller, Esq;
 31 at West. Bernard Greenville, Esq; Nicolas Court-
 ney, Esq;
 31 at West. Bernard Greenville, Esq; Nicolas Court-
 ney, Esq;
 32 at Oxford, Bernard Grenville, Esq; John Davis,
 Bart.

JAMES II.

- 1 P. at West. Cyrell Wych, Kt. Edmond Waller, Esq;

WILLIAM & MARY.

- 1 P. at West. Honourable Bernard Greenville, Esq; John
 Wadon, Esq;
 2 at West. Honourable Bernard Greenville, Esq; John
 Wadon, Esq;

WILLIAM III.

- 7 P. at West. || Francis Buller, Esq; Walter Moyle, Esq;
 * In his 10 at West. ‡ John Speccot, Esq; John Morris, Esq;
 Place, chose 12 at West. James Buller, Esq; † Alexander Pendar-
 ves, Esq;
 for the Co. 13 at West. * James Buller, Esq; Tho. Carew, Esq;
 Cornwall, Ben. Bul-
 ler, Esq;

ANNE.

|| In his
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 ceas'd,
 Fra. Pen-
 gelly, Esq;
 ‡ In his
 Place, chose
 for Co.
 Cornwall,
 James Bul-
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 † In his
 Place, who
 made his
 Election
 for Penryn
 Tho. Ca-
 rew, Esq;

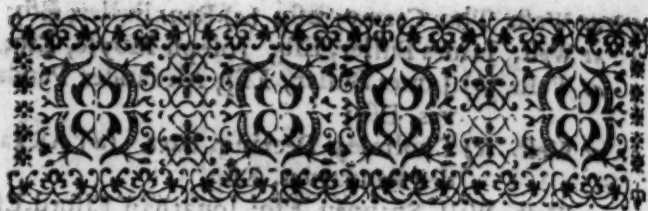
ANNE.

- 1 P. at West. Tho. Carew, Esq; (a) Ben. Buller, Esq; (a) In his
 4 at West. James Buller, Esq; Joseph Moyle, Esq; Place, de-
 7 at West. (b) James Buller, Esq; Alexander Pendar- ceas'd,
 ves, Esq; John Rol-
 9 at West. (c) Cholmley Deering, Bart. (d) Alexan- le, Esq;
 der Pendarves, Esq; (b) In his
 12 at West. Will. Shippen, Esq; Jonathan Elford, Esq; Place, chose
 for the County of Cornwall, Cholmley Deering, Bart. (c) In his
 Place, chose for the County of Kent, William Carew, Bart. (d) In
 his Place, chose for Penryn, Jonathan Elford, Esq;



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BOROUGH

OF

CAMELFORD



*Stow's
Chronicle,
p. 55.*

*Chron. Sax.
p. 70.
Camden's
Brit. p.*

AS famous, in the Time of King *Arthur*, for a memorable Battel fought here, between him and his Nephew *Mordred*, in which the latter was kill'd upon the Spot; and the former, mortally wounded, being convey'd to *Glastonbury*, there dy'd, *May 21, 542.* This Place is also remarkable for a second Battel, fought *Anno 823*, between the *Britains* and *Saxons* at *Gafulford*, otherwise written *Camelford*; which takes its Name from the little River *Camel*, aliàs *Alan*. Concerning the first of these Fights, you may see a full Account in *Leland's Collectanea*, Vol. 5. pag. 37 and 88, in which is a large

large History of King *Arthur*. It was from this Author's Works, that *Camden* borrow'd (as he did great Part of his *Britannia*) the Account he has given us of this King's receiving his first, and yielding up his last Breath near the same Place; of which an eminent Poet and Antiquary (whose Writings are a sufficient Argument of his Learning and Virtue; and since the Great *Selden* has thought them worthy of his Notes, could not, if better known, have fail'd to recommend him more to the Esteem and Admiration of the World) has the following Verses; in which, speaking of the River *Camel*, running at the End of this Town, he supposes it to have had its Name from its Crookedness, and alludes to this Battel as the Occasion thereof.

As frantick, ever since her British Arthur's
Blood, *Drayton's Polyolbion,*
By Mordred's murth'rous Hand, was mingled p. 5.
with her Flood :

For as that River best may boast that Conqu'ror's
Breath,

So sadly she bemoans his too untimely Death;
Who after twelve proud Fields against the
Saxons fought,

Tet back unto her Banks by Fate was lastly
brought ;

As tho' no other Place, on Britain's spacious
Earth,

Were worthy of his End, but where he had his
Birth.

Borough of CAMELFORD.

If my good Opinion of this (I think) justly-admir'd Poet, has induc'd me to insert these Verses, I hope I may be excus'd the Information I give my Reader in Rhime, since the Account the learned *Camden* has of this Place, is mostly Poetical.

But to return from this Digression. *Camelford* was created a Borough by *Richard* Earl of *Cornwall*, who, when King of the *Romans*, by his Charter made this Place a free Borough, and granted the *Burgesses* a *Friday-Market*, and a *Fair* on the *Eve*, *Day*, and *Morrow* of *St. Swithin*; all which Liberties were confirm'd by his Brother King *Henry III*, by his Charter dated at *Westminster*, *June 12*, *1259*; and in the *44th* Year of his Reign, as appears by an *Inspeximus* in *Queen Mary's* Time, of Confirmation of Liberties to *Camelford*; in whose Reign, this poor Borough was encourag'd to send *Burgesses* to Parliament, which it had begun to do in the preceding Reign of *Edward VI*. It is govern'd by a Mayor, and eight *Burgesses*, or *Aldermen*, who, with ten *Free-men*, elect the Members of Parliament. The Corporation, which is doubtless ancient, enjoy the Tolls of the Markets and Fairs, with an Estate also of *15 l. per Annum*, which helps to support the Dignity of otherwise a very mean Magistracy. All these Revenues are reputed worth about *80 l. per Annum*. The Seal of Arms pretended to by this Town, seem to be in Imitation of the Devise of *Oxford*; for as the Arms of that City

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City are an Ox passant over a Ford, so this has a Camel.

Here are not above fifty or sixty Houses, ^{Ogilby's Roads, in Fol. p. 17.} all which belong to the Parish of *Lanteglos*; to the Church of which Place, distant about a Mile, the Inhabitants repair to hear Divine Service, &c. there being no Chapel in *Camelford*, or any formerly, as I can learn. That this Manor was held of the Dutchy, may be seen in *Lostwithiel*, and in *Doderidge's History of the Dutchy of Cornwall*, who tells us, that the chief Rent payable by this Borough, is 4*l.* 5*s.* 4*d.*

EDWARD VI.

6 P. at West. Rob. Chyke, Nicolas St. John.

MARY.

1 P. at West. Francis Reskarock, Ambrose Gylbert.

1 at Oxf. Tho. Arundell, Geo. Stafford.

PHILIP & MARY.

1 & 2 P. at West. Francis Reskarock, Clement Tyf-ferd.

2 & 3 at West. Will. Caryll, Geo. Tadlowe.

4 & 5 at West. Tho. Prydeaux, Will. Seintaubyn.

ELIZABETH.

1 P. at West. Will. Partrige, Drewin Drewrey.

5 at West. Will. Partridge, Drewin Drewrey.

13 at West. Edw. Williams, Gent. Nic. Prideaux, Gent.

14 at West. John Gifford, Esq; Geo. Greenville, jun, Esq;

27 at West. Ric. Trefusis, Esq; Emanuel Chamond, Gent.

28 at West. Geffry Gale, Esq; Ric. Trefusis, Gent.

- 31 P. at West. Arthur Gorge, Esq; Ric. Trefusis, Gent;
 35 at West. Humfry Michell, Esq; Ric. Leeche, Esq;
 39 at West. Will. Carnsewe, Esq; Jerome Horsey, Esq;
 43 at West. Will. Carnsewe, Gent. Anthony Turpin,
 Gent.

JAMES I.

- 1 P. at West. John Good, Esq; Anthony Turpin, Esq;
 12 at West.
 18 at West. Hen. Carey, Kt. Edw. Carre of London,
 Esq;
 21 at West. Edw. Hare, Esq; Francis Cottington, Bart.

CHARLES I.

- 1 P. at West. Hen. Hungate, Kt. Tho. Cotteele, Esq;
 1 at West. Edw. Lyndsey, Esq; Tho. Moack, Kt.
 3 at West. Francis Crossing, Esq; Evan Edwards,
 Esq;
 15 at West. Edw. Reade, Esq; Peirce Edgecumbe, Esq;
 16 at West. Pierce Edgecumbe, Esq; William Glan-
 ville, Esq;
 William Sey, Esq;

CHARLES II.

- 12 P. at West. Tho. Vivian, Esq; Hen. Nicol, } Double
 Esq; Peter Killigrew, Esq; } Return.
 Sam. Trelawney, Esq;
 † In his 13 at West. Tho. Coventry, Esq; † Charles Raskar-
 Place, Will rock, Esq;
 Godol- 31 at West. James Smith, Kt. Will. Harbord, Esq;
 phin, Kt. 31 at West. James Smith, Kt. Will. Russell, Esq;
 32 at Oxon. Rob. Russell, Esq; James Smith, Kt.

JAMES II.

- 1 P. at West. Nic. Courtney, Esq; Charles Scarbo-
 rough, Kt.

WILLIAM

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WILLIAM & MARY.

- 1 P. at West. Ambrose Manaton, Esq; Henry Manaton, Esq;
- 2 at West. Ambrose Manaton, Esq; Henry Manaton, Esq;

|| In his Place, chose for Tavi-stock, Co. Devon. Sidney Wortley, alias

WILLIAM III.

- 7 P. at West. Rob. Moleworth, Esq; || Ambrose Manaton, Esq;
- 10 at West. Hen. Manaton, Esq; Dennis Glyn, Esq;
- 12 at West. Hen. Manaton, Esq; Dennis Glyn, Esq;
- 13 at West. Hen. Manaton, Esq; Dennis Glyn, Esq;

Mountague, Esq; * In his Place, chose for Tavi-stock, Co. Devon.

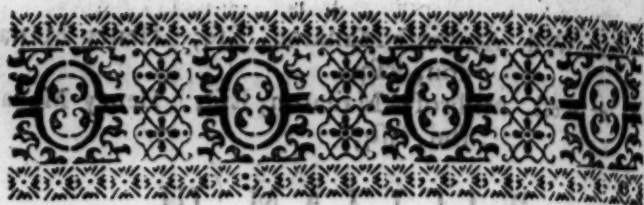
ANNE.

- 1 P. at West. Dennis Glyn, Esq; * Henry Manaton, Esq;
- 4 at West. Will. Pole, Esq; Hen. Pinnell, Esq;
- 7 at West. Ric. Munden, Esq; John Manley, Esq;
- 9 at West. † Bernard Granville, Esq; † Jasper Ratcliffe, Esq;
- 12 at West. Bourchier Wray, Bart. James Nicholls, Esq;

William Pole, Esq; † In his Place, preferred, Bourchier Wray, Bar. † In his Place, deceased Paul Orchard, Esq;



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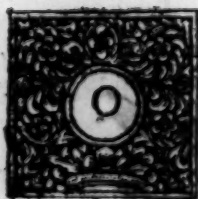
BOROUGH

OF

PORTPIGHAM,

ALIAS

WESTLOW.



IN a small Creek of the Sea, lyes the two little Boroughs of *East* and *West-low*, divided by a Bridge of fifteen Arches, over which you pass, as you enter *Cornwall* from *Devonshire*, in your Way to this Borough I am treating of, call'd also *Portpigham*, by which Name it is distinguish'd in holding Courts. Neither of these Towns can boast much Antiquity, they having no Parish-Church belonging to either of them; a sure

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a sure Token, as the famous Antiquary *Leland* remarks, of a new Town sprung from a small Hamlet; and in this Vill of *Portpigham* there is not so much as a Chapel remaining; tho' I find here was one in the Time of *Hen. VIII.* which, I suppose, was pull'd down at the general Destruction of the Chauntries, or rather desecrated, Tradition alledging, that the now Guild-Hall of this Borough, was a Chapel, and that it was dedicate to *St. Nicholas*, which seems very likely, because the Tower now is, or was very lately, remaining where the said Hall stands.

*Leland's
Itin. Vol. 7.
p. 98.*

As to a Description of this Town, it consists of about 100 Houses, and had formerly, by Charter, a *Wednesday-Market*, and a Fair for three Days, which last is yet kept, only for one Day, viz. *April 25*: 'Tis in the Parish of *Talland*, a small Town of about a Mile distant, where the Inhabitants go to Church, bury their Dead, &c. It was incorporated by *Queen Elizabeth*, by Letters Patent dated *Feb. 14. Anno Regni 16*, by the Name of Mayor and Burgeses, and the Corporation allow'd to consist of twelve Burgeses, one of which should annually be chosen Mayor, and have Power to choose a Steward, and to have a Common Seal. The Election of Members of Parliament, is made by the Corporation and Freemen, being about sixty in Number. The first Return this little Place made, was in *Edward the VIth's* Time, when two Burgeses were sent for *Lowburgh*, call'd in the Indentures, *Ex Autog. Parl. Anno 1 Mar.* and 1 & 2 *Phil. & Mar. in Capel.*

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Villa Loo, and Anno 1 Eliz. Portpigham, and Anno 5 Eliz. Port Pigham, alias Portloo, and Westloo. Touching the Lords of this Manor, I have in general been inform'd, that it first belong'd to Treverbin, who originally incorporated it, and made it a Borough, afterwards to Carminow; then to the Courtneys; and, lastly, to the Dutchy, in which it is vested at present, or very lately was. How far this agrees with my Collecting, may be seen by the following Records. Anno 22 Hen. III, Hugh de Treverbin, Plaintiff, and Odo de Treverbin, and his Wife, Defendant, levy'd a Fine of the Manor of Portloe. Which is the first Account I meet with of this Place. Anno 30 Edw. I, upon Walter de Treverbin's Death, John Willington challeng'd the Custody of the Manor of Portloo, late belonging to Walter de Treverbin, deceased; and the said John certify'd (before the King's Justices itinerant) his Right, till the Heir of the said Walter should come to Age; that it was held of him by Knight's Service; that he, the said John, possess'd the same in the Life-time of Edmund late Earl of Cornwall; and Walter Treverbin held it of him in Chief, by the fourth Part of a Knight's Fee. Whereupon the Jury, impanell'd at Launceston, gave it in Behalf of this John de Willington; and the King's Subschactor was order'd not to intermeddle therewith, which, it seems, he had done, by seizing it for the King's Use, on Account of the Minority of Treverbin's Heir. From hence it is not improbable, that this Manor was originally in the Dutchy; and, if I should

*Pedes Fin.
Co. Cornub.
Anno 22
H. 3.*

*Placita
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Launceston,
Anno 30.
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should judge it anciently Part of the Knight's Fees of Trematon, and held of that Honour, I should not (perhaps) be mistaken. How it came to the Carminow's I have not seen; nor is it easy to make a probable Conjecture; for before the Marriage of Sir Hugh Courtney with Margaret Daughter and Co-heir of Thomas Carminow, his Uncle Edw. Courtney Earl of Devon, who dy'd Dec. 5, 7 Hen. V, was seiz'd of the Borough of Portpigham; upon the Attainder of whose Family, temp. Edw. IV, that Prince, by Letters Patent dated Aug. 1, Anno Regni 2, gave the Manor of Portpigham to William Nevill Lord Fauconbridge, whom he created Earl of Kent; but he did not enjoy it long, for, upon his Death, the same Year, the King granted it, by Patent dated January 25, to George Duke of Clarence, his Brother, who dy'd seiz'd thereof. In the succeeding Reign, King Henry VII, by Letters Patent dated October 26, Anno Regni 1, restoring Edward Courtney, Son and Heir of Hugh Courtney, and Margaret his Wife, Daughter of Thomas Carminow, to the Title and Lands of the Earl of Devon, granted him, among other Possessions of that Family, Portpigham Manor and Borough. Upon the Attainder of whose Grandson, Henry Courtney, Marquess of Exeter, beheaded Anno 30 Henry VIII, that Prince annex'd the Manor of Portpigham to the Dutchy of Cornwall, in Lieu of the Honours of Wallingford and St. Valeries, which he had separated from it. At which Time, the Rent of the Manor of Portpigham was estimated at 55 s. and the

*Ex Archiv.
in Tur.
Lond.*

*Doderidge's
Hist. of the
Principality
of Wales,
and Dutchy
of Cornwall,*

p. 196.

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Fee-Farm of *Portloo*, at 15 l. 6 s. 10 d. But after this, *Queen Mary*, for some Time, restor'd the last Earl of this Family to the Possession of this Place; however, this Family's Enjoyment of it terminated upon his Death, about three Years after the said Grant, and reverted to the Crown.

EDWARD VI.

[6 P. at West. John Ashley, Will. Morice.

MARY.

[1 P. at West. Alex. Nowell, Ric. Cleu.

[1 at Oxford, Will. Bendloes, Rob. Mounson, Gent.

PHILIP & MARY.

[1 & 2 P. at West. Clement Heygham, Esq; Ambrose Gylbert.

[3 & 3 at West. Will. Seynt Aubyn, Esq; John Seynt Clere, Esq;

[4 & 5 at West. Oliver Becker, John Carnswyowe, Gent.

ELIZABETH.

[1 P. at West. John Carmynow, Esq; . . .

[5 at West. John Fowler, Esq; John Young, Esq;

[13 at West. Clem. Throckmorton, John Fynneux, Esq;

[14 at West. Will. Hammond, Esq; John Audeley.

[27 at West. Tho. Lancaster of Grays-Inn, Geoffry Gates, Gent.

[28 at West. Richard Champernon, Esq; John Hammond, Esq;

[31 at West. Matthew Pattefson, Esq; Rob. Saunders, Esq;

[35 at West. John Shelbery, Gent. Hugh Beeston, Esq;

[39 at West. Rob. Hitcham, Esq; Henry Lennard, Kt.

[43 at West. John Hare, Esq; Ric. Verney, Esq;

JAMES

JAMES I.

- 1 P. at West. Will. Waade, Lieutenant of the Tower, . . .
12 at West. . .
18 at West. Heneage Finch, Esq; Christoph. Harris, Esq;
21 at West. Geo. Myne, Esq; James Bagge, Esq;

CHARLES I.

- 1 P. at West. John Wolfstenholme, Esq; Edward Thomas, Esq;
1 at West. John Wolfstenholme, Esq; John Rudhall, Esq;
3 at West. Edw. Thomas, Esq; John Parker, Esq;
15 at West. Anthony Mildmay, Esq; George Potter, Esq;
16 at West. Tho. Arundel, Esq; Hen. Killigrew, Esq;
John Arundell, Esq;

CHARLES II.

- 12 P. at West. John Buller, Esq; Recorder, John Kennall, Esq;
13 at West. † John Nicholas, Esq; John Trelawney, † in his Place, Hen.
Esq; Vernon,
31 at West. John Trelawney, Mayor, John Trelawney, sen. Esq; Bart.
31 at West. Tho. Kendall, Esq; Humfry Courtney, Esq;
32 at Oxford, John Trelawney of Westminster, Esq;
Johnath Trelawney of Coldrunoch, Esq;

JAMES II.

- 1 P. at West. Hen. Trelawney, Esq; James Kendall, Esq;

WILLIAM & MARY.

- 1 P. at West. Peircy Kirke, Esq; James Kendall, Esq;
2 at West. Edw. Seymour, Esq; Jonathan Trelawney, Esq;

WILLIAM III.

- 7 P. at West. James Kendall, Esq; John Mounstephens, Esq;

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- 60 P. at West. James Kendall, Esq; John Mountstephens, Esq;
 11 at West. James Kendall, Esq; John Mountstephens, Esq;
 13 at West. Right Honourable Richard Earl of Ranelagh; James Kendall, Esq;

A N N E.

- * In his Place, expelled the House, Charles Seymour, Esq;
 † In his Place, chose at Helston, Richard Hele, Esq;
 ‡ In the Place of Richard Hele, Esq; chose at Plympton, Henry Pooley, Esq; § In his Place, deceased, Francis Palmer, Esq; † In his Place, deceased, John Trelawney, Esq;
 1 P. at West. * Right Honourable Richard Earl of Ranelagh, † Sidney Godolphin, Esq;
 4 at West. Right Honourable Charles Hedges, Kt. Principal Secretary of State, § John Mountstephens, Esq;
 7 at West. Right Honourable Charles Hedges, Kt. John Conyers, Esq;
 9 at West. Right Honourable Charles Hedges, Kt. † Arthur Maynwaring, Esq;
 12 at West. Honourable John Trelawney, Esq; Charles Wager, Kt.



BOROUGH

BOROUGH OF GRAMPOUND



Orrows its Name, as some Authors would have it, from a great Bridge; which, if it had formerly, as *Carew*, in his *Survey of Cornwall*, tells us, it hath now *Nomen sine Re*. Touching this

Carew's Survey of Cornwall, p. 140.

being the old *Roman Town*, call'd *Voluba* in *Prology*, I refer to the *Additions in Camden's Britannia*, publish'd *Anno 1695*. But, I doubt, the Town will not be found of much Antiquity, and that it was never of any great Note, it being, in *Carew's Time*, but meanly replenish'd with *Inhabitants*; and now, perhaps, less; the Market being (as I am inform'd) in a great Measure lost. It contains one Street of about 80 Houses, situate on a Declivity, and lies in the Parish of *Creed*; however, here is a small ordinary Chapel, still made use of, which I take to be the same that was granted *Anno 1549*, to *Thomas Cawardin, Kt.* by the Name of *St. Naunters*, alias *Awnters Chapel*, in the Parish of *Crede*, with

*Rot. Pat. 4.
Edw. VI.
dated July*

with 23.

*Ireland's
Coll. Vol.
3. p. 53.*

Camden's
Brit. p. 5.

with 3 Acres of Land thereto pertaining. Who this St. Nunner was, I am to seek, as is Crew, in Relation to St. Nunn in this Neighbourhood, unless I should conjecture them both to be the same Person; St. Nunn's Name being wrote differently, viz. in some Accounts Nannita, or Nunmites, and in others Novita; she is reported, as Leland tells us, to have been the Daughter of an Earl of Cornwall, and Mother to St. David, Arch-Bishop of that See; but if I am herein mistaken in my Guess, we may, no doubt, reckon this Person among the Irish Saints, to whom, and their own Saints, Camden informs us, the People of Cornwall bore such a Veneration, that almost all the Towns in that Province have been consecrated to their Memory.

What I have farther to add of *Grampound*, is, that 'tis *incorporated*, and has a *Mayor*, & *Magistrates*, a *Recorder*, and *Town-Clerk*. The *Mayor* is chosen the *Tuesday* preceeding *Michaelmas-Day*, and the *Parliament-Men*, by the Majority of the *Magistrates* and *Freemen*, who are about 50 in Number, being (as I am inform'd) all the *Inhabitants* that pay *Scott* and *Lott*. This is an ancient *Manor* of the *Duchy*, of which the *Corporation* hold it by *Charter*, on paying a *Fee-Farm Rent* of 12*l.* 1*s.* 4*d.* *per Annum*, being the *Sum* assign'd in the *Charter* of creating it a *Borough*, *temp. Edw. III.* (tho' it never sent *Burgesses* to *Parliament* 'till *Edward* the VIth's Time.) This said *Charter* is recited by *Inspecimus*, *Anno 7 Hen. VIII.* in a *Patent* of that *King's*, dated *Nov. 21. 1516*, which refers to some *Letters Patent* of *Rich. II.* dated at *Westminster*, *June 6. 1377.* and confirms

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firms the same; and also the Charter of *John*
of *Eltham*, late Earl of *Cornwall*, Brother to *K.*
Edw. III., made to the Burgessees of *Grampond*,
“ in which the said *John* grants to his Bur-
“ gesses of *Gramtpont*, *Co. Cornwall*, all the
“ Vill of *Gramtpont*, with several Lands and
“ Mills, (the Bounds and Abuttments of
“ which are expres’d in the Charter) with
“ View of Frank-pledge, and the Assize of
“ Bread and Beer, and that they should be
“ Toll-free throughout all *Cornwall*, and have
“ a Merchant-Gild, to be held before the
“ Portreve, or Bailiffs, of the said Borough,
“ with Infangthef and Utfangthef; and that
“ they should have two Fairs, viz. on the
“ Eve, Day, and Morrow of *St. Peter* (in *Cathedra*) and on the Eve, Day, and Morrow
“ of *St. Barnabas* the Apostle; and that they
“ should have a Weekly Market on *Tuesday*;
“ and that the said Vill should be a free
“ Borough; and that the Lands call’d *Coy-*
“ *fata* and *Chiencoy*s, and the Corn-Mill and
“ Fulling-Mill, call’d *Tybest*e, and half an
“ Acre of Land near the Mill in *Landa*, should
“ be reputed within the Borough; and that
“ the said Burgessees should hold the same in
“ Fee-Farm, at the Rent of 12*l.* 11*s.* 4*d.*
This Charter is dated at *Chippenham*, October
26, *Anno Domini* 1332, and in the 7th Year
of the Reign of his dearest Brother, King *Ed-*
ward III. All which Premises were approv’d
by the said King *Henry VIII.*, and *Richard*
II., and remain now so held by the Corpo-
ration.

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EDWARD VI.

6 P. at West. Tho. Wynmouth, Edw. Wilfon.

MARY.

1 P. at West. Tho. Smyth, Kt. Will. Smythwyck, Kt.
1 at Oxford, Ric. Chappel, Tho. Cornwallys, Kt.

PHILIP & MARY.

1 & 2 P. at West. Rob. Vaughan, George Tedlowe.
2 & 3 at West. John Harris, Ric. Chappell.
4 & 5 at West. Tho. Herle, Esq; Rob. Rytches, Esq;

ELIZABETH.

1 P. at West. John Pollard, Kt. Christoph. Perne, Esq;
5 at West. John Pollard, Kt. Christoph. Perne, Esq;
13 at West. Edw. Cleere, Esq; John Hussy, Esq;
14 at West. Edm. Slyfeild, Esq; John Hussey, Esq;
27 at West. Will. Stoughton, Gen. Cha. Trevannion, Gen.
28 at West. Tho. Cromwell, Esq; John Herbert, Esq;
31 at West. Tho. Cromwell, Esq; Ric. Sayer, Gent.
35 at West. Ric. Edgcombe, Esq; Edw. Jones, Gent.
39 at West. John Leigh, Kt. Rob. Newdigate, Esq;
43 at West. John Gray, Kt. John Astell, Esq;

JAMES I.

1 P. at West. Wil. Noye, Esq; Francis Barneham, Esq;
12 at West.
18 at West. John Hampden, Esq; Rob. Carey, Kt.
21 at West. John Mohun, Esq; Ric. Edgcumbe, Kt.

CHARLES I.

1 P. at West. John Mohun, Esq; Sam. Rolle, Kt.
1 at West. Edw. Thomas, Esq; Tho. St. Aubyn, Esq;
3 at West. Henry Cary, Rob. Pye, Kt.
15 at West. John Trevanion, Esq; Will. Coryton, Esq;
Warwick Mohun.

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16 P. at West. Will. Coryton, Esq; James Cambell, Esq;
John Trevor, Kt.

CHARLES II.

12 P. at West. Hen. Boscawen, Esq; Tho. Herle, Esq;
13 at West. Cha. Trevanian, Esq; John Tanner, Esq;
31 at West. Jos. Tredenham, Kt. Cha. Trevanian, Esq;
31 at West. John Tanner, Esq; Nic. Hearl, Esq;
32 at Oxford, John Tanner, Esq; Nic. Hearl, Esq;

JAMES II.

1 P. at West. Jos. Tredenham, Kt. Rob. Foley, Esq;

WILLIAM & MARY.

1 P. at West. Edw. Herle, Esq; John Tanner, Esq;
2 at West. John Tanner, Esq; * Walter Vincent, Esq;

WILLIAM III.

7 P. at West. Hugh Forrescue, Esq; John Tanner, Esq;
10 at West. Will. Scawen, Kt. * John Tanner, Esq;
12 at West. Will. Scawen, Kt. Francis Scobell, Esq;
13 at West. Will. Scawen, Kt. Francis Scobell, Esq;

* In his
Place, de-
ceas'd,
John Bul-
ler, Esq;

* In his
Place, chose
for St. Ger-
mains,
Francis
Scobell,
Esq;

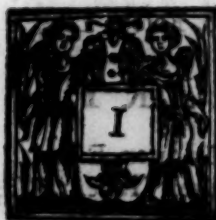
ANNE.

1 P. at West. Francis Scobell, Esq; James Craggs, Esq;
4 at West. Francis Scobell, Esq; James Craggs, Esq;
7 at West. James Craggs, Esq; Tho. Scawen, Esq;
9 at West. Right Hon. Tho. Coke, Esq; Vice-Chamber-
lain, James Craggs, Esq;
12 at West. Right Hon. Tho. Coke, Esq; Andrew Quick,
Esq;

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Carew's
Survey of
Cornwall,
p. 128.

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S situated on the River Loo, opposite to *Portpigham*, aliàs *Westlow*, afore describ'd. *Carew* conjectures this River, which denominates these Towns took its Name from its low Passage between steep coasting Hills; or, perhaps, from the Shallowness of the Ford, which is oftentimes fordable; tho' the Convenience of a good Bridge, which joins these Towns, renders the Ford little us'd. Touching the Antiquities of this Town, I have little more to add, than what I have said in its Neighbour of *Westlow*, that it belong'd to the *Courtneys*, and afterwards to the Dutchy; of which it is held now by the Corporation, who pay a Fee-Farm Rent of 20s. per Ann. as appears in *Dodderidge's History of the Principality of Wales*. The first Mention I have met with of this Place, is Anno 30 Edward I. at which Time *Henry de Bodrigan*, Lord thereof, certify'd his Claim of a Market and Fair in *Loo*, and View of frank Pledge, a Ducking-Stool, a Pillory, and Assize of Bread and Beer: After which, I find no Account of

of it, except it be included in the same Grants as *Wesslow*, which makes mention of *Portloo* and *Portpigham*; which Name of *Portloo*, I account may be attributed to either of these Places; and where it is not join'd with an *alias* after *Portpigham*, in later Grants, to imply this Town, as *Anno 7 Henry V*; at which Time, *Edward Courtney*, Earl of *Devon*, is said to die seiz'd of the Manor of *Portloe*, which is distinguish'd and set down separate from *Portpigham*; which is generally call'd a Borough, as well as a Manor, as it is in the foregoing Patents of our Kings and Queens, cited in *Wesslow*, wherein 'tis mention'd with that, as belonging to the Duke of *Clarence* and *Courtneys*; and no where occurs, as I have seen, by the Name of Borough, before Queen *Mary* or Queen *Elizabeth's* Time; to which last Queen's Indulgence, it owes its Returning Burgesses to Parliament; as indeed all the *Cornish* Boroughs do to her's and *Edward the VIth's*, except *St. Ives* and *Penryn*, and the six first ancient Boroughs, viz. *Launceston*, *Leskard*, *Lostwithiel*, *Truro*, *Bodmin*, and *Helfton*; tho' as to the Title and Privilege of Boroughs, I presume all the present Towns that send Members, were anciently incorporated by the Earls or Lords thereof, as the afore observ'd Instances shew; the constituting of a Borough being then only look'd upon as an Exemption from serving Juries, &c. in the County, and exercising Trade within its own Jurisdiction, and electing Officers of its own to the Government thereof. However, this Place being *temp. Edward III*, a noted

ted Port, return'd, in Conjunction with *Fowey*, a Merchant or Ship-Owner to a Council at *Westminster*, about 230 Years before it sent any Burgesses to Parliament, which it never did 'till the 13th of *Elizabeth*, when both *Easflow* and *Fowey* elected each of them two Members apiece; which is taken Notice of, that they had not done in the last Parliament; " which being examin'd into " on Monday April 9, 1571, Report was " made by the House, (which favour'd the " Queen's Prerogative) of the Validity of " the Burgesses; and it was order'd, by the " Attorney-General's Assent, that the Burgesses shall remain according to their Returns; for that the Validity of the Charters is elsewhere to be examin'd, if Cause " be. " By which Means little or no Dispute being made against the Queen's Power, the House became greatly increas'd with Representatives chiefly in this and *Edward* the VIth's Reign, especially by the sending of Burgesses from those Boroughs, and Places that had Pretence to the Title of Boroughs, which were the Demesne of the Crown, or of some Great Persons under the Influence of it; for it is observable, that several of the great Towns, notwithstanding they were Boroughs, were not reviv'd or summon'd, when those little Places were. But to return from this Digression. What remains farther to be noted of this Town, is, that it became incorporated by the said Queen *Elizabeth*'s Letters Patents, dated January 8, in the 29th Year of her Reign, by the Name of

Pryn's
Parl. Register,
part 4,
p. 1179.

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of Mayor and Burgesſes; by which Title they
“were to have perpetual Succeſſion, plead and
“be impleaded, and to conſiſt of nine Bur-
“geſſes, one of which to be choſen Mayor, and
“have Power to chuſe a Recorder, &c.” As
to the Members of Parliament, they are ſe-
lected by the Mayor, Magiſtrates, and Free-
men, being 40 or 50 in Number; tho’ be-
fore this Charter, I find here was a Portreve.
The Town contains about 200 Houſes, and
has a ſmall *Saturday* Market, of which the
Corporation have the Toll. Here is a poor
Battery of four Guns, and a little Chapel of
Eaſe kept up by Buttrices, in which the Mi-
niſter of *St. Martins*, the Mother Church, and
Burial-Place to this Town, ſhould preach
once in three Weeks. This Chapel being in
a ruinous Condition, was repair’d *Anno Do-*
mini 1700, by the then Members of Parlia-
ment; and has been ſince farther beautify’d
by the Right Reverend Father in God Sir
Jonathan Trelawney, Bart. Biſhop of *Winche-*
ſter, whoſe Family’s Seat is near this Place.
Tis dedicated, as I gueſs, to *St. Kayne*, by
which Name the Pariſh of *St. Martins* is alſo
call’d, from *St. Kayne*, or *Keyna*, a holy Vir-
gin of the Blood Royal, Daughter of *Braga-*
nus, Prince of *Brecknockſhire*. She is ſaid to
have gone a Pilgrimage to *St. Michael’s*
Mount in this Country, and was in great
Eſteem here and in *Somerſetſhire*, as may be
ſeen in *Camden*, who derives *Kayneſham* from
her. You may ſee alſo an Account of her
and her Well in *Carew’s Survey of Cornwall*, p.
130. She liv’d about the Year 490, and
her

Capgrave
Legenda,
fol. 204.

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her Festival is celebrated *Sept. 30*; on the Eve of which Day is yet kept a Fair at this Town. Which seems to strengthen my Conjecture, there being nothing more usual in Towns, than to perpetuate the Memory of the Saint the Church was dedicated to, in this Manner, as appears by ancient Charters; which being generally granted for three Days, (tho' now reduc'd to one, the Eve, and Morrow being in few Places observ'd) makes me conclude this Grant was so, and that *Michaelmas* being so well noted, occasion'd it to be then kept, as 'tis now.

EDWARD III.

14 Council at West. John Hurston.

ELIZABETH.

- 13 P. at West. John Wolley, Esq; Edw. Cordell, Esq;
 14 at West. Tho. Stone, Esq; Tho. West, Esq;
 27 at West. Anth. Rous, Esq; Ric. Spencer, Gent.
 28 at West. Abraham Hartwell, Edw. Trelawney.
 31 at West. Rob. Jermyn, Kt. Anth. Evarard.
 35 at West. Will. Hampden, Esq; Greg. Dounhall, Gent.
 39 at West. Ambrose Billot, Esq; Rob. Gawdy, Esq;
 43 at West. John Hannam, Esq; Rob. Yardeley, Gent.

JAMES I.

- 1 P. at West. Rob. Philips, Kt. John Parker, Kt.
 12 at West.
 18 at West. John Walter, Kt. Jerome Horsey, Kt.
 21 at West. John Walter, Kt. the Prince's Attorney,
 Paul Speccot, Esq;

CHARLES I.

- 1 P. at West. James Bagge, Kt. John Trevor, Kt.

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- 1 P. at West. James Bagge, Kt. John Trevor, Kt.
 3 at West. Will. Murrey, Esq; Paul Speccot, Esq;
 15 at West. Will. Scawen, Will. Code, Esqs;
 16 at West. Francis Buller, Tho. Lower, Esqs;
 John Moyle, Esq;

CHARLES II.

- 12 P. at West. Hen. Seymour, Jonathan Trelawney, Esqs; Geo. Shelley, } Double
 Nathaniel Moyle, Esqs; } Return.
 13 at West. Hen. Seymour, || Rob. Atkins, Esqs; || In his
 31 at West. Jonath. Trelawney, Bar. Hen. Seymour, Esq; Place, made
 31 at West. John Kendall, Will. Trevill, Esqs; a Judge,
 32 at Oxf. Jonath. Trelawney, Bar. John Kendall, Esq; Walter
 Lang-
 downe,
 Esq;

JAMES II.

- 1 P. at West. Cha. Trelawney, Esq; Will. Trumball, Kt.

WILLIAM & MARY.

- 1 P. at West. Cha. Trelawney, Hen. Trelawney, Esqs;
 2 at West. Cha. Trelawney, Hen. Trelawney, Esqs;

WILLIAM III.

- 7 P. at West. James Vernon, Alex. Pendarves, Esqs; ‡ In his
 10 at West. ‡ Cha. Trelawney, Hen. Trelawney, Esqs; Place, chose
 12 at West. Hon. Francis Godolphin, Esq; Hen. Sey- for Pli-
 mour, Bart. mouth,
 13 at West. * Hon. Francis Godolphin, Esq; Hen. Sey- Henry
 mour, Bart. Seymour,
 Bart.

ANNE.

- 1 P. at West. Hen. Seymour, John Pole, Baronets. * In his
 4 at West. Hen. Seymour, Bart. Geo. Clerke, Esq; Place, chose
 7 at West. Hen. Seymour, Bart. Harry Trelawney, tenay, Esq;
 Esq;
 9 at West. Hen. Seymour, Bart. Tho. Smith, Esq;
 12 at West. Right Honourable Charles Hedges, Kt. Ed-
 ward Jennings, Esq;

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BOROUGH

OF

PENRYN



IS an ancient Manor, belonging to the See of *Exeter*, of which it is at this Day held by the Corporation, who pay the Bishops of that See a certain Quit-Rent for the Toll of the Markets and Fairs. The Bishop is Lord of the Borough and Forrens, or Out-Borough. The Town consists of one principal Street, indifferently well built for this Country: It was formerly grac'd with a Collegiate Church, founded by *Walter Bronscombe* Bishop of *Exeter*, for a Dean and twelve Prebends, and dedicated to *St. Mary* and *St. Thomas* of *Canterbury*, call'd *Glasney*, which was valu'd, 26 *Hen. VIII.* at 205 *l.* 12 *s.* 6 *d.* Part of the Ruins of this are still standing, viz. a Tower and some Garden-Walls, "*Leland* tells us, that this College was strongly wall'd and incastelled in his Time, having three strong Towers; and Guns at the Butt-end of the Creek; and that it was made in a Moor call'd *Glesneth*, in the Bottom of a Park of
Walter

Leland's
Itin. Vol. 3.
p. 13.

"Walter Bishop of Exeter's at Penryn." To
 this Walter succeeded Peter Quiville; and to
 him Thomas Button, alias Britton, who, Anno
 30 Edw. I, exhibited his Claim of Infangthesf,
 &c. in his Manor of Penryn, which he chal-
 leng'd to be a free Borough, and "to have the
 "Property of a Market and Fair; and that
 "these Rights were enjoy'd by his Predeces-
 "sors, who probably made it a Borough, there
 being several Presidents of Bishops having
 done the same, as Josceline Bishop of Wells,
 who made Chard, Com. Somerset, a free Bo-
 rough, temp. Hen. III; and so probably this
 Bishop Walter did Penryn: Tho' it never sent
 Members to Parliament till Queen Mary's
 Reign; or was incorporated, as I find, be-
 fore King James the Ist's Time, who, by
 Letters Patent dated at Westminster, Feb. 5,
 in the 18th Year of his Reign, reciting,
 "That this Place is a maritime Town and
 "ancient Borough, situate near the Entrance
 "of the Port of Falmouth and Castle of Pen-
 "dennis; and that William Bishop of Exeter,
 "within whose Fee the said Borough is, had
 "certify'd, that it being much resorted to
 "by Seamen, and that several Disorders be-
 "ing therein committed, for the reprehen-
 "ding of which, and better Government of
 "the same, the Burgesles and Inhabitants
 "had besought him to incorporate it; to
 "which Request the King consenting, grants
 "that the said Borough of Penryn should
 "hereafter be a free Borough, consisting of
 "eleven discreet Burgesles, besides a Mayor,
 "which should be call'd Aldermen; and
 "that

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“ that there should be twelve other Burges-
 “ ses, or Common Council Men, who should
 “ be call’d the *Common Council of the Borough*;
 “ and that the Mayor and two Aldermen
 “ should be Justices of the Peace within the
 “ said Borough; and that they should have
 “ a Gild-Hall, where they should assemble,
 “ every Feast of *St. Matthew*, and name four
 “ Aldermen, out of which the major Part
 “ of the Burgeses should choose one to be
 “ Mayor; and that there should be a Recor-
 “ der, two Constables, a Steward, or Clerk
 “ of the Borough, and two Mace-bearers,
 “ and have an Office of Record every *Wed-*
 “ *nesday* three Weeks, and a Prison, and Li-
 “ berty of trying Felons in their said Ju-
 “ risdiction.” In this Charter *Sampson Bloye*
 is appointed first Mayor, *Tho. Lukey, senior,*
Anthony Mondaye, Peter Hallamore, Will. Car-
nan, Nathaniel Crockbay, Will. Bowyer, Tristram
Lord, Sam. Gros, Tho. Gluvias, Edmond Tri-
they, and Hugh Romow, first Aldermen; and
Will. Roscrowe, Will. Randall, Robert Mondaye,
Robert Amereson, Will. Williams, Vincent Sma-
ley, Vincent Tonkin, John Windsor, John Le-
versage, Will. Crowgie, John Browne, and Will.
Cock, first Assistants; and *Sir Robert Killi-*
grew, Kt. first Recorder; *Tho. Randall, sen.*
 Gent. first Steward or Clerk. As to the Re-
 turn of Members of Parliament, which this
 Borough never pretended to ’till Queen *Mary’s*
 Time aforesaid, the Election of them
 is by the Inhabitants paying Scott and Lott,
 who (perhaps) may be estimated at above an
 hundred; this being a considerable Market-
 Town,

Town, and having two weekly Markets, tho' here is no Church or Chapel within the same. The Church of *Gluvijs*, to which it parishes, lying but a quarter of a Mile off of *Penryn*, as *Leland* informs us, tho' he speaks of a Chapel in the Town, in his Time, besides the College, the last Provost of which was *John Gentil*, who held also the Deanery of *St. Carontocks* in this County. In the Time of King *James* the II^d, a new Charter was granted to this Corporation, which vested the Election of Members of Parliament in the Magistracy only; but this they declin'd to make Use of. Here is said to have been an ancient Custom for the Steward of this Borough, to send his Precept to command the Portreve, or Mayor, to return two Elizers, or principal Men of the Borough, who were to elect twenty two more, to make up a Jury upon all Law Court-Days, to execute the Town-Business, and choose the Members; but this has been long rejected. The Sheriff's Writ is still directed to the Portreve for electing Members, who hath for forty Years last past been Mayor without Interruption. In the Time of *Edward VI*, when the Bishoprick of *Exeter* was disparkl'd, (as almost all the Sees of *England* were) *Gawen Carew*, by that King's Letters Patent, dated *March 8, Anno Regni 4*, obtain'd a Grant of *Penryn* Borough; but it was restor'd to the See again in Queen *Mary's* Time, or by the never-enough to be commended Act of King *James I*; which divested Bishops of the Power of alienating their

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their Lands entirely from the Church; a Practice too much follow'd by Bishops having Families.

MARY.

- 1 P. at West. John Aylworth, Ralf Skinner, Esqs;
1 at Oxford,

PHILIP & MARY.

- 1 & 2 P. at West. James Treuwinnard, Tho Matthew.
2 & 3 at West. Ralph Cooche, John Courtney.
4 & 5 at West. John Cooche, jun. John Gardiner, Gent.

ELIZABETH.

- 1 P. at West. John Cosworth, Esq; John Bower.
5 at West. John Cosworth, Esq; John Bower.
13 at West. John Killigrew, Will. Dodington, Esqs;
14 at West. John Killigrew de Arnwick, Robert Peter, Esq;
27 at West. John Killigrew, Will. Killigrew, Esqs;
28 at West. John Killigrew, Will. Onslow, Esqs;
31 at West. Nic. Saunders, Esq; Anth. Dillon, Gent.
35 at West. John Osborne, Edw. Phillips de Moun-
rague, Esqs;
39 at West. James Killigrew, Edw. Jones, Esqs;
43 at West. Edw. Seymour, Esq; Ric. Messenger.

JAMES I.

- ‡ In their 1 P. at West. ‡ Tho. Provis, Gent. ‡ Ric. Warburton, Kt.
Places de- 12 at West.
as as'd, 18 at West. Rob. Jermin, Esq; Francis Crane, Kt.
Edw. Con- 21 at West. Edw. Roberts, Esq; Rob. Killigrew, Kt.
way of
Ragley, Kt.
Will. May-
nard, Kt.

CHARLES I.

- 1 P. at West. Edw. Roberts, Esq; Edwin Sands, Kt.
1 at West. Edw. Roberts, Esq; Edwin Sands, Kt.
3 at West. Tho. Edmonds, *Treasurer of the Household*,
Will. Killigrew, Kts.

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III

- 15 P. at West. Jos. Hall, Esq; Ric. Vyvyan, Kt.
16 at West. John Bampfseild, Bart. Nic. Staining, Kt.

CHARLES II.

- 11 P. at West. Sam. Enys, John Cobys, Gentlemen.
13 at West. Will. Pendarvis, John Birch, Esqs;
31 at West. Francis Trefusis, Esq; Rob. Southwell, Kt.
31 at West. Nic. Slanning, Kt. Charles Smith, Esq;
32 at Oxford, Nic. Slanning, Knight of the Bath, and
Bart. Charles Smith, Esq;

JAMES II.

- 1 P. at West. Hen. Fanshaw, Esq; Nic. Slanning, Knight
of the Bath, and Bart.

WILLIAM & MARY.

- 1 P. at West. Anth. Rowe, Alex. Pendarves, Esqs;
2 at West. † Sam. Rolle, Sidney Godolphin, Esqs;

WILLIAM III.

- 7 P. at West.
10 at West. * James Vernon, Sam Trefusis, Esqs;
12 at West. Sam. Trefusis, Alex. Pendarves, Esqs;
13 at West. Sam. Trefusis, Alex. Pendarves, Esqs;

† In his
Place, chose
for Co. De-
von, Alex.
Pendar-
ves, Esq;
* In his
Place, chose
for West-
minster,
Alex. Pen-
darves,
Esq;

ANNE.

- 1 P. at West. Sam. Trefusis, Alex. Pendarves, Esqs;
4 at West. Sam. Trefusis, Rt. Hon. James Vernon, Esqs;
7 at West. Rt. Hon. James Vernon, Sam. Trefusis, Esqs;
9 at West. Sam. Trefusis, Alex. Pendarves, Esqs;
12 at West. Hugh Boscawen, † Alex. Pendarves, Esqs;

† In his
Place, he
accepting
Place, Sam.
Trefusis,
Esq;

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TREGONET



Curs, in *Doomsday-Book*, among the Lands of the Earl of *Moreton* and *Cornwall*, the King's Brother, who held *Tregoin*, or *Tregoni*; after which, this Manor, I find, came very early into the Possession of the ancient Family of the *Pomeroy*s, who, no doubt, obtain'd great Inheritance in this County, by the Marriage of *Joel*, Son of *Ralph de Pomeroy*, (who came into England with the Conqueror) with one of the natural Daughters of *Henry I.* and Sister to *Reginald* Earl of *Cornwall*, by whom he had Issue *Henry*, who, temp. *R. Johannis*, marry'd *Matilda de Vitrei*, and had Issue *Henry*; whose Son *Henry*, by Marriage with *Joan Valletort*, left Issue a Son, nam'd likewise *Henry*, who, Anno 18 *Edw. I.* was found next Heir to the last of that noble Family; whose Ancestor, *Roger de Valletort*, Anno 32 *Hen. II.* gave that King 100 Marks for the Honour of *Moreton*. To which Honour this Borough, with the two *Loo's*, and *Saltaſhe*, I should judge to have belong'd, and been comprehended

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hended among the Knights Fees, and so to have from the *Valletonts* descended to the *Pomeroy*s; but that I find them possess'd of it in *Henry* the III'd's Time, in the 44th Year of whose Reign, *Henry de Pomeroy* held the Manor of *Tregoney*; who, departing this Life *Anno* 9 *Edw.* I, left *Henry* his Son his next Heir, who, at the Time of his Death, which happen'd *Anno* 33 *Edw.* I, was seiz'd of the Manor of *Tregoney*, as belonging to his Manor of *Bery*, Co. *Devon*, to which he might probably annex it. In the Posterity of this *Henry* I find this Manor continu'd many Generations, even almost to our Days; for in the 8th Year of Queen *Elizabeth*, by Inquisition taken after the Death of *Hugh Pomeroy*, who departed this Life *Sept.* 23, 1565, the Jury return'd, That the said *Hugh* dy'd seiz'd of the Manor of *Tregoney*, which he held by Knights-Service of *Launceston* Castle, as Parcel of the Possessions of the Dutchy of *Cornwall*, and that he left Issue, by *Joan* his Wife, a Son nam'd *Hugh* his Heir, then aged thirteen Years: From the *Pomeroy*s, I presume this Manor, about King *Charles* I, came by Descent, or Purchase, to the *Boscawens*, to whom it belongs at this Time, *Hugh Boscawen*, Esq; being at present Lord thereof, from which Name of *Hugh* being common to this Family, I should judge it deriv'd to them from that of *Pomeroy*.

*Inquis. in
Cur. Ward.*

The Town of *Tregoney* consists of one indifferent long Street; it had formerly a Castle, which is decay'd, as is the Town in general; in it is a Parish-Church dedicated to *St. James*.

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The Decay of this Town is attributed, in great measure, to the making *St. Austel*, in this Neighbourhood, a Market-Town; before which *Tregoney* enjoy'd a good Market, tho' it is now an inconsiderable one, tho' of ancient Date; for, "*Anno 30 Edw. I, Henry de Pomeroy*, before spoken of, the then Lord thereof, certify'd his Right thereto, together with a Fair, and Assize of Bread and Beer, and had it allow'd." In which Reign also of *Edw. I*, this Town sent Burgessees to Parliament; which is remarkable, for as much as it made only then two Returns, and never sent any more 'till Queen *Elizabeth's* Time, at the general Summons of the *Cornish* Boroughs, to which this Town had the best Title, on Account of having return'd anciently, which none of the rest ever did (for I have carefully examin'd the Indentures, &c.) except *Launceston*, *Leskard*, *Loftwithiel*, *Truro*, *Bodmin*, and *Helston*, beforemention'd. The Election of Members of Parliament is in the Inhabitants in general, who are all the Housholders that boil the Pot, the Number of which amounted to, at a Poll taken *Anno 1695*, about one hundred and fifty. This Town is govern'd by a Mayor and eight capital Burgessees, by which Title they were incorporated, by Letters Patent dated at *Westminster*, *June 14, 1620*, and *19 Jac. I*. In that Charter the King recites, "that the Borough of *Tregoney* was an ancient Borough, and that a Portreve, or Mayor, had, Time out of Mind, govern'd the same; and that the present Portreve, or Mayor, having be-

"sought

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“sought him to incorporate it, he, the said
 “King ordains, That *Tregoney* shall be a free
 “Borough, consisting of a Mayor and eight
 “Burgesses, who should govern the same;
 “and that *Philip Jago* should be first May-
 “or, and *Henry Pomeroy*, *Hugh Monday*, *Ar-*
 “*thur Osgood*, *John Jago*, *Will. Cardewe*, *John*
 “*Collins*, *Nicolas Bonython*, and *Francis Cook*,
 “the first capital Burgesses; and that they
 “should yearly choose a Mayor, on the
 “*Tuesday* following *Michaelmas* Day, and
 “have a Recorder, and keep a Court of Re-
 “cord on the first *Monday* of every Month,
 “and enjoy all their ancient Privileges, &c.

EDWARD I.

23 P. at West. Roger de Pempel, Walter de Meiy.
 35 at Carlisle, Odo Cary, Richard Rycheman,

ELIZABETH.

1 P. at West. Edward Amerdyther, Giles Laurence.
 5 at West. Edward Amerdyther, Giles Laurence.
 13 at West. Edw. Hastings, Kt. Rob. Dormer, Esq;
 14 at West. Will. Knolles, Peter Wentworth, Esqs;
 27 at West. John St. Leger, Kt. Ric. Grafton, Gent.
 28 at West. Ric. Trevannion, Oliver Carminow, Gents.
 31 at West. Ric. Penkevel, Esq; Christ. Walker, Gent.
 35 at West. John Snow, Gent. Arnold Oldsworth, Esq;
 39 at West. . . . Henry Bride.
 43 at West. Lewis Darte, Esq; Tho. Trevor, Gent.

JAMES I.

1 P. at West. Hen. Pomerey, Ric. Craveigh.
 12 at West.
 18 at West. Will. Hakewill, Tho. Mallett, Esqs;
 21 at West. Peter Speccot, Ambrose Manaton, Esqs;

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CHARLES

CHARLES I.

- 1 P. at West. Hen. Cary, Kt. Sebastian Good, Gent.
 1 at West. Tho. Cary, Esq; Rob. Killigrew, Kt.
 3 at West. Francis Rous, John Arundel, Esqs;
 15 at West. John Arundel, John St. Aubyn, Esqs;
 31 at West. Nic. Borlase, Cha. Trevanion, Esqs;
 16 at West. Ric. Vyvyan, Kt. John Polewhale, Esq;
 Tho. Trevor, Kt. & Bart. John Carew, Esq;

CHARLES II.

- 12 P. at West. John Temple, Kt. Edward Boscawen, Will. Tredenham, Esqs; Dr. . . . Clarges. } Double Return.
 13 at West. Hugh Boscawen, Tho. Herle, Esqs;
 31 at West. Hugh Boscawen, Rob. Boscawen, Esqs;
 31 at West. Hugh Boscawen, Cha. Trevannion, Esqs;
 32 at Oxford, Hugh Boscawen, Cha. Trevannion, Esqs;

JAMES II.

- 1 P. at West. Cha. Trevannion, Cha. Porter, Esqs;

WILLIAM & MARY.

|| In his

Place, de-

ceas'd, Hon.

John Fitz-

Gerald,

Earl of Kil-

dare.

† In his

Place, Earl

of Godol-

phin, Edw

Southwell

Esq;

|| In his

Place, chose

for Co.

Oxon,

† Geo. Ro-

binson,

Esq;

- 7 P. at West. Hon. Fra. Robartes, James Mountague, Esqs;
 10 at West. Hon. Fra. Robartes, Philip Meadows, Esqs;
 12 at West. Hon. Fra. Robartes, Hugh Fortescue, Esqs;
 13 at West. Hon. Fra. Robartes, Hugh Fortescue, Esqs;

WILLIAM III.

- 1 P. at West. Hugh Fortescue, Rob. Harley, Esqs;
 2 at West. || John Tremain, Kt. Serjeant at Law, Hugh Fortescue, Esq;

ANNE.

- 1 P. at West. Hugh Boscawen, Jos. Sawle, jun. Esqs;
 4 at West. John Trevanion, Esq; Philip Meadows, Kt.
 7 at West. Anth. Nicoll, Tho. Herne, Esqs;
 9 at West. || Right Hon. Francis Viscount Ryalton,
 † John Trevannion, Esq;
 12 at West. Edm. Prideaux, Bart. James Craggs, jun.
 Esq; BO.



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OF

BOS SIN N E T,



Nown in this County by the Name of *Tintagel*, by which it is for the most Part distinguish'd by the *Cornish* People, is a very small Village, and contains scarce twenty Houses, and these no better than Cottages. This, with *Trevena*, another little Hamlet, equally mean and inconsiderable, lye in the Parish of *Tintagel*, from which Church they are at no great Distance, and with it make up one Borough. The Manor or Parish of *Tintagel* was very anciently Demesne-Land of the Crown, and famous in our Histories for its Castle, the Ruins of which are reckon'd among the Wonders of this County; it is situate about half a Mile from these little Towns, on the Sea-Coast, upon a high Rock abutting on the Sea, with a steep Precipice: Half the Buildings, as *Carew* tells us, were rais'd on the Continent, and the other half on an Island, join'd formerly by a Draw-Bridge, but long since separated by the Fall
of

*Leland's
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p. 92.*

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of some Cliffs. The farther Side Passage to this Island is very dangerous; on the Top are two or three terrifying Steps, which admit you to the Hill, upon which, he informs us, he saw a decay'd Chapel, a fair Spring of Water, a Cave, and an Hermit's Grave hewen out in the Rock. *Leland*, describing this Castle, says, "it had, in all likelyhood, three Wards, whereof two were worn away by the Sea, insomuch, that it had made there almost an Isle; and that there was no Way to enter into it, but by long Elm-Trees laid for a Bridge; so that without the Isle runn'd only a Gate-house, a Wall, and a false Braye digg'd and wall'd. In the Isle remain'd old Walls, and in the East Part of the same, the Ground being lower, remain'd a Wall embattel'd, and that Men, then alive, saw therein a Postern-Door of Iron. There was in the Isle a pretty Chapel, with a Tomb on the left Side, and a Well, near which was a Place hewen out of the stony Ground, to the Length and Breadth of a Man: There remain'd also in the Isle a Ground quadrant-wall'd, resembling a Garden-Plot; and by this Wall appear'd the Ruins of a Vault; and that the Ground of this Isle then nourish'd Sheep and Conies." The same Author in another Place informs us, "the Chapel in *Tintagel* Castle was *St. Julian's*, and the Parish-Church *St. Simphorian's*." The former of which Saints I take to be the same that suffer'd Martyrdom at *Antioch*, under *Dioclesian*, and has a Festival celebrated *Jan. 9*: As to *St. Simphorian* here

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here mention'd, he was born (as the *Legenda Aurea* tell us) in *Augustinum*, the head City of *Burgundy*, where he suffer'd Martyrdom, on the 22d of *August*, about the Year 270; tho', besides this Person, I find Mention made in *Leland's Collectanea*, Vol. 1. of another St. *Symphorian*, a Martyr, bury'd with St. *Wulfran*, a Bishop, at *Grantham*, to whose Memory that Church is dedicated. This St. *Wulfran's* Festival was celebrated the 15th of *October*. This Church of *Tintagel* became im-
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 propriated to the College of *Windsor*, by the Gift of *Edw. IV.*, who granted to that Church, by Letters Patent dated *June 29*, in the 20th Year of his Reign, this Advowson. I have been the longer describing this Castle, because I have very little to say of the Borough. It was imprivileg'd by *Richard Earl of Cornwall*, King *Henry the III's* Brother, who granted, *Quod Burgus noster de Tyntavil sit liber Burgus*. It is govern'd by a Mayor, but, I suppose, not incorporated. The first Return of Members of Parliament is in *Edward the VIth's* Time. In the Indentures in Queen *Mary's* Time, 'tis call'd *Trevena*, alias *Bossinney*, and in others *Trevena* singly, and in some later Returns *Bossinney* only. The Election of Members is in the Mayor and Freemen. Whoever has free Land in the Borough, and lives in the Parish, is a Freeman, and votes in the Elections of Mayor and Representatives. The Number of Electors are, as I am inform'd, under twenty. This Borough is still held of the Dutchy, and, I presume, by the Townsmen,
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Hist. of the
Dutchy of
Cornwall,
p. 108.
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ted Anno
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at the Fee-Farm Rent of 11 l. 16 s. 9 d. and has belong'd to it, as I guess, from the Beginning. The Castle, Manor, and Borough of *Tintagel*, having been settled by *Edward III* on his Son Prince *Edward*, when he created him Duke of *Cornwall*, and continu'd to his Heirs the succeeding Dukes of *Cornwall*; before which this King's Brother, *John of Eltham* Earl of *Cornwall*, held it. This Castle boasts much greater Antiquity, and is said in the Time of the *Britains*, to have been the Seats of the Dukes of *Cornwall*, and pretends to have been the Birth-Place of the famous King *Arthur*, which happen'd above five hundred Years before the Conquest, that Prince being born in the Year 500; fifteen Years after which he is said to have succeeded his Father in the Kingdom, and to have lost his Life in the 36th Year of his Reign, in a Battle, near this Place, spoken of in *Camelford*. Of this King *Arthur's* Acts, the Lord *Bacon* says, there is Truth enough to make him famous, besides that which is fabulous: A large History may be seen of him in most of our Chronicles, and especially in *Leland's Collectanea*, Vol. 5. who has wrote a learned Assertion of him. I shall conclude my Account of this Castle with the Information of a worthy Friend of mine, who, in his Travels into these Parts, went purposely to visit it. The Ruins of some Works, as he tells me, are here to be seen on the Tops of two high Rocks that stand to the Sea; one of them was formerly surrounded by it, and continues to bear the Name

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Name of the Island: But great Part of it, by Length of Time, having fall'n down, hath made a Neck of Land, which hath join'd it to the other. It is a Rock of a stupendious Heighth, containing about thirty Acres of Pasture, and is so very steep and difficult, that it is hard to be conceiv'd how it is possible the Sheep should keep their Footing, and not fall into the Sea as they ascend or descend. The Renter of the Pasture (as he was inform'd) has two or three Sheep, whom he has often drove to and from thence, which he puts foremost to lead the rest: And what is very remarkable, there is a Spring of fresh Water on the Top, which rises to the Surface, and then makes its Way thro' the Pasture, to the Edge of the Rock, and so falls into the Sea. This Place is call'd King *Arthur's* Castle.

EDWARD VI.

6 P. at West. Tho. Johnson, Humphrey Saville, Gent.

MARY.

1 P. at West. Rob. Gayer, Rob. Beverly.

1 at Oxford, John Beaumont, Will. Roscarrock.

PHILIP & MARY.

1 & 2 P. at West. Ric. Forset, Gent. Geo. Harrison.

2 & 3 at West. Ralph Skinner,

4 & 5 at West. Tho. Standly, Esq; John Kempthorn.

ELIZABETH.

1 P. at West. Hugh Owen, Stephen Bradden.

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- 5 P. at West. Hugh Owen, Stephen Bradden.
 13 at West. Rob. Wrothe, Gent. Geo. Basslet, Esq;
 14 at West. Francis Kaynwellmarsh, Rob. Doyly, Esq;
 27 at West. Francis Drake, Kt. John Leveson, Esq;
 28 at West. Will. Poole, Esq; John Petylam, Gent.
 31 at West. Hen. Savill, John Hynder, Esq;
 35 at West. Tho. Harris, *Serjeant at Law*, John Hynde,
 Esq;
 39 at West. Tho. Harris, *Serjeant at Law*, Edward
 Denny, Kt.
 43 at West. Jerome Horsley, Will. Hackwell, Esq;

JAMES I.

† In his
 Place, de-
 ceased,
 Geo. Cal-
 vert, Esq;

- 1 P. at West. Jerome Horsley, Kt. † Geo. Upton, Esq;
 12 at West.
 18 at West. John Wood, Esq; Ambrose Mannington,
 Gent.
 21 at West. Ric. Weston, Kt. *Chancellor of the Exche-*
quer, Tho. Beven, Esq; *Auditor*.

CHARLES I.

- 1 P. at West. Francis Cottington, Kt. Jonathan Pry-
 daux, Esq;
 2 at West. Cha. Lord Lambert, Paul Speccot, Esq;
 3 at West. Cha. Lord Lambert, Ric. Edgcumb, Kt.
 15 at West. Edw. Herle, Anthony Nicolas, Esq;
 16 at West. Christ. Yelverton, Ralph Sidenham, Kts.
 Lionel Copley, Esq;

CHARLES II.

- 12 P. at West. Francis Gerrard, Charles Pym, Esq;
 13 at West. Rob. Roberts, Ric. Rous, Esq; } *Double*
 Anthony Buller, Esq; } *Return*.
 31 at West. Will. Coriton, John Tregegle, Esq;
 32 at Oxford, Cha. Bodvile Roberts, Esq; Peter Colie-
 ton, Bart.

JAMES II.

- 1 P. at West. John Cotton, John Mountstevens, Esq;

WILLIAM

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WILLIAM & MARY.

- 1 P. at West. Peter Coliton, Bart. Humfry Nicoll, Esq; *|| In his Place, chose*
 2 at West. Sam. Travers, Esq; Peter Coliton, Bart. *for Tregony, Hon. Thomas Wentworth, alias Wat-son, Esq;*

WILLIAM III.

- 7 P. at West. Hon. Geo. Booth, John Manly, Esqs;
 10 at West. John Pole, Bart. John Tregagle, Esq;
 12 at West. *||* Hon. Fra. Robartes, John Tregagle, Esqs;
 13 at West. John Molefworth, Kt. & Bart. John Manly, Esq; *† In his Place, chose for Bodmin, Hen. Campion, Esq;*

ANNE.

- 1 P. at West. Will. Hooker, John Manley, Esqs;
 4 at West. Simon Harcourt, Kt. *her Majesty's Solicitor-General,* John Manley, Esq;
 7 at West. Sam. Travers, Sam. Foote, Esqs;
 9 at West. *†* Hon. Fra. Robartes, John Manley, Esqs;
 12 at West. Will. Pole, Bart. *** John Manley, Esq; ** In his Place, de- ceas'd, Paul Or- chard, Esq;*



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BOROUGH OF SAINTIVES.



THIS Place, notwithstanding it is corruptly so writ, takes its Name from *St. Iia*, a Nobleman's Daughter of *Ireland*; a Woman of singular Sanctity, who came hither

from thence about the Year 460, and had been a Disciple of *St. Barricus*, first Bishop of *Cork*; so that the true Name of this Town is *St. Iies*, tho' it is oftentimes written *Porthea*; my Ignorance of which, and receiving no Information concerning the Antiquity, &c. makes me incapable of giving so particular Account of it; and all I know

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is from *Leland*, who tells us, "The Place that the chief of the Town hath, and partly did stand in, was a Peninsula, and extended into the Sea of *Severn*, as a Cape; and that this Peninsula, to compass it by the Root, lack'd little of a Mile; and that most Part of the Houses in that Peninsula were cover'd over with Sands that the stormy Winds and Rages had cast up there," and

Cressy's
Church-
Hist. p. 194.

“and that this Calamity had continu’d there
 “little above twenty Years. The best Part
 “of the Town then stood in the South Part
 “of the Peninsula, up towards another
 “Hill, for the Defence of the Sands. There
 “was a Block-house and a fair Pierre in the
 “East Side of the Peninsula, but the Pierre
 “was sore choak’d up with Sand: And that
 “the Parish-Church was dedicated to St. Iia,
 “(of whom I have already spoken); and
 “that the Town was serv’d with fresh Wa-
 “ter of Brokets that rise in the Hills there-
 “by; and that the Lord Brook was Lord of
 “St. Iies, and then Elunt Lord Mountjoy,
 “and young Poulet.

How it came to these Gentlemen, may Dugd. Bar.
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 be judg’d by their matching with the Daugh-
 ters and Heirs of Sir Robert Willoughby, Lord
 Brook, who dy’d Anno 13 Hen. VIII, and
 was bury’d, as Dugdale tells us, in the
 Church of Bere Ferrers, Co. Devon; which
 Manor came to this Robert’s Father, by Mar-
 riage of Blanch Daughter and Heir of Robert
 Champenoun, Esq; whose Ancestor became
 possess’d of a very great Estate in this Coun-
 ty, by Marriage with the Daughter and
 Heir of the ancient Family of the Fer-
 rers, who was also possess’d of many fair
 Manors in these Parts, temp. Hen. II, among
 which were the Boroughs of Berealston and
 Callington, as shall be shewn anon. And
 perhaps this Town might thus be deriv’d.
 Upon Partition of Lands, I find this Ma-
 nor came to Poulet’s Share, and was held of
 him temp. Cha. I, as appears, by Inquisition
 taken

*Inquis. in
Cur. Ward.*

taken upon the Death of *Nicolas Hele, Esq.* who departing this Life *December 27, 1640,* (leaving Issue *John*, his Son and Heir, seven-teen Years, nine Months, and twenty four Days old) was then seiz'd of the Manor of *St. Ives*, aliàs *St. Ives*, aliàs *Porthea*, which he held of *John Marquess of Winchester*, whose Grandson, the present Duke of *Bolton*, continues still Lord hereof, tho' the Impropration, as I am inform'd, is vested in the Earl of *Stamford*, who has the Tithes of *Unilant*, the Mother-Church to this Place; and takes Tithes not only of Grain, but Fish, Lamb, and Wooll; the Vicar has the Tithe of Hay and Mortuaries, which last Custom not being very common in *England*, I shall therefore here describe: The Practice is thus, if any one dies worth 10*l.* the Vicar has 10*s.* and if he dies worth less, nothing; and if worth more, he still does not exceed more than the said 10*s.*

The Town of *St. Ives* is a neat Sort of a Town for this County; the Inhabitants are wealthy, and have about twenty Sail of Ships belonging to the Harbour, which is but indifferent: They drive a great Pilchard Trade in the Bay. The Church is wide and capacious, but low. It has a handsome Tower and Nave, and two Isles; 'tis situate near the Sea-Shore, and is often dash'd with Waves at high Tides and Storms. When this was made a Borough, I have not seen. In the last Parliament of *Queen Mary*, two Burgesses were sent up to Parliament for the Borough of *St. Ise*; which is the first Time

I meet

I meet with it occurring by the Title of
 Borough. It was then govern'd by a Port-
 treve, tho' not incorporated 'till King *Charles* Ro. Cart.
 the 1st's Time; who, by his Charter dated A. 16. Car.
July 31, recites the Petition of the Portreve l.p. 10. n. 1.
 and Burgeses of the Borough of *St. Ives*, set-
 ting forth its Situation on the Sea-Side; and
 that they anciently have enjoy'd many Li-
 berties, and desire to be incorporated, with
 some Addition of Privileges. Wherefore the
 King, consenting to their Request, grants,
 that the Borough and Parish of *St. Ives*
 should be incorporated, and that they shall
 have a "common Seal, and be govern'd
 "by a Mayor, twelve capital Burgeses,
 "and twenty four inferior Burgeses, and
 "that they shall have a Recorder, Town-
 "Clerk, and two Serjeants at Mace, and
 "Power to hold a Court of Record every
 "*Thursday* three Weeks; and that the May-
 "or, during his Mayoralty, and the suc-
 "ceeding Year, together with the Recorder
 "and senior Burgeses for the Time being,
 "shall be Justices of the Peace within the
 "Borough; and that they shall choose a
 "Town-Clerk, who shall be Clerk of the
 "Peace, and the Mayor to be Coroner,
 "and Clerk of the Market, and have Pow-
 "er of choosing yearly three Constables;
 "and that the Mayor, or capital Burgeses,
 "shall not be impane'll'd on Juries; and
 "that they shall have a Prison and Goal, &c.
 "and four Fairs annually, viz. on the 10th of
 "*May*, and the Day ensuing; on the 20th
 "of *July*, and the Day following; on the
 "26th

" 26th of September, and the succeeding Day;
 " and on the 3d of December, and the Day
 " after; and to have Weekly two Markets,
 " viz. on the Wednesday and Saturday; and
 " likewise appoints in the said Borough a
 " Grammar-School for the Instruction of
 " Youth, by a Master and Usher; and the Bi-
 " shop of Exeter, the Mayor, and capital Bur-
 " gesses, for the Time being, to be Governors
 " of the same. He also appoints the Corpora-
 " tion to have a common Seal; and that Ric.
 " Hext should be first Mayor, and continue in
 " that Office till the Feast of All-Saints, 1640;
 " and that John Pane, John Sprigg, Tho.
 " Treuwith, Henry Hick, Tho. Purefoy, John
 " Hick, Tho. Stevens, Edw. Hamond, Tho. Sise,
 " John Stirrey, Christopher Cocke, and Stephen
 " Barbor, Inhabitants of the said Borough
 " and Parish, should be the first capital
 " Burgesses; and that Will. Tregosse, Tho. Ed-
 " ward, John Diggin, Ric. Couch, Peter Ceely,
 " Hen. Stevens, Will. Pitt, Will. Nause, Geo.
 " Hicks, John Player, Tho. Good, Andrew
 " Phillips, John Hutchins, John Good, Ric.
 " Smith, John Stevens, Ephraim Sise, Tho.
 " Sprigge, Tho. Noale, James Barbor, John Co-
 " sen, Reginald Painter, Peter Gibbs, and Lew-
 " is Hendra, should be the first inferior Bur-
 " gesses, out of which the capital Burgesses
 " to be chosen, and the Mayor out of the
 " said capital Burgesses; and that Francis
 " Bassett, Esq; should be first Recorder, &c.
 The Election of Members of Parliament, is
 in the Corporation, and all the Inhabitants
 paying Scott and Lott, which are about
 one

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one hundred and eighty in Number. The Corporation now pays to the Duke of Bolton 13 s. 4 d. Post Farm Rent, and 1 s. 2 d. High Rent for the Market-House. 'Tis Part of the Manor of *Ludgvan Lease and Porthea*. As to *St. Ives*, whose Name this Place usurps, (tho' here are several Churches in *Cornwall* dedicated to him) he was a *Persian Bishop*, who coming into *Britain*, and there preaching the Gospel in divers Parts, ended his Days in *Huntingdonshire*, at a Place call'd *Slepe*, but afterwards denominated, from him, *St. Ives*; which, from his Burial there, grew a great Town. His Relicks were from thence translated to *Ramsay Abbey*; he dy'd Anno 600; his Festival was celebrated April 24.

P H I L I P & M A R Y.

4 & 5 P. at West. Tho. Randolph, Will. Chamber, Gent.

E L I Z A B E T H.

- 1 P. at West. John Harryngton, Will. Glascow.
- 5 at West. John Harryngton, Will. Glasier.
- 13 at West. Tho. Clinton, Gent. John Newman, Gent.
- 14 at West. Edw. Williams, Esq; Tho. Randoll, Esq;
- 27 at West. John James, Esq; Cha. Blunt, Esq;
- 28 at West. Tho. Colbey, Esq; John Morley, Esq;
- 31 at West. Mark Stuart, Esq; Hen. Hobart of Incolns-Inn, Gent.
- 35 at West. Noel Sotherton, Esq; Nic. Sanders, Esq;
- 39 at West. Vincent Skinner, Esq; Noel Sotherton, Esq;
- 43 at West. Tho. St. Aubyn, Tho. Breton, Gent.

J A M E S I.

- 1 P. at West. John Tregena, Esq; Will. Brook, Esq;
- 12 at West.
- 18 at West. John Lord Paulet, Rob. Bacon, Esq;

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21 P. at West. Francis Godolphin, Kt. Will. Lake, Esq;

C H A R L E S I.

1 P. at West. Will. Parkhurst, Kt. Fra. Godolphin, Kt.
 * In his 1 at West. Edw. Savage, Esq; * Benj. Titchborne, Esq;
 Place, chose 3 at West. John Pain, Esq; Francis Godolphin, Esq;
 for Peterf- 15 at West. Will. Dell, Hen. Martyn, Kt.
 field, Will. 16 at West. Francis Godolphin, Esq; Edm. Waller, Esq;
 Noy, Esq; John Feilder, Esq;

C H A R L E S II.

12 P. at West. Edw. Nofeworthy, Esq; James } Double
 Praed, Esq; John St. Aubyn, } Return.
 Esq; Peter Cely, Esq;
 13 at West. James Praed, Esq; Edw. } Double Re-
 Nofeworthy, Esq; John } turn, the last
 Basslet, Esq; } taken off.
 31 at West. Edw. Nofeworthy, sen. Esq; Edw. Nofe-
 worthy, jun. Esq;
 31 at West. Edw. Nofeworthy, sen. Esq; Edw. Nofe-
 worthy, jun. Esq;
 32 at Oxford, Edw. Nofeworthy, jun. Esq; James
 Praed, jun. Esq;

J A M E S II.

1 P. at West. Cha. Davenant, James St. Amand, Esq;

W I L L I A M & M A R Y.

1 P. at West. James Praed, Esq; Walter Vincent, Esq;
 2 at West. James Praed, Esq; Will. Harris, Esq;

W I L L I A M III.

7 P. at West. James Praed, Esq; John Michell, Esq;
 10 at West. Cha. Windham, Bart. James Praed, Esq;
 12 at West. James Praed, Esq; Benj. Overton, Esq;
 13 at West. John Hawles, Kt. James Praed, Esq;

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A N N E.

- 1 P. at West. James Praed, Esq; † Ric. Chandler, Esq; † In his
4 at West. Barth. Gracedieu, Kt. John Borlase, Esq; Place, un-
7 at West. John Praed, Esq; John Borlase, Esq; duly elected
9 at West. John Hopkins. Esq; John Praed, Esq; John Pitt,
12 at West. Will. Bendarves, Kt. John Hopkins, Esq; Esq;



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Boroughs,
p. 42.



AT the compiling *Doomsday-Book*, belong'd to *Robert Earl of Moreton and Cornwall*, who is said to hold *Fawitone*. After which, upon the founding the Priory of *Tywardreth* in this Neighbourhood, by *Robert Cardinan*, temp. Ric. I, this Place was given thereto by him, and was Part of the Possession of that Monastery, temp. Edw. I. when the Prior of *Tywardreth* certify'd his Claim of *Affize of Bread and Beer*, and *View of Frank-pledge* in *Fawey*; and in the next Reign this Convent obtain'd a Grant from King *Edward II*, of a *Monday Market every Week* at their Manor of *Fawe* in the County of *Cornwall*, and two *Fairs* annually, viz. on the *Eve, Day, and Morrow* of *St. Bar-rus*, and the other on the *Eve, Day, and Mor-row* of *St. Lucy*. This Manor continu'd in the Possession of the Priory 'till the general Dissolution, temp. *Hen. VIII*; after which I find the Manor of *Fowey* leas'd at the yearly Farm of 1*l.* 19*s.* 2*d.* among the Manors newly

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Assis. ap.
Launceston,
Anno 30.
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newly annex'd by King Henry VIII to the Dutchy of Cornwall, in Lieu of the Honour of Wallingford, which Manors are therein specify'd to have been Parcel of the Possessions of this Priory of Trewardreth. In the Time of King James I, this sinall Quit-Rent, payable for this Manor, belong'd to Prince Charles, of whom I presume it was held by the Corporation on rendring the said Rent; and that it is so at this Day. The Keyage of the Harbour, and Toll and Toldsey of the Market and Fairs being still vested in them, tho' the Anchorage of the Harbour, and Bushelage of measurable Commodities, as Coals, Salt, Malt, and Corn, &c. belongs to *Loftwithbiel*, as already observ'd in my Account of that Town.

*Doderidge's
Hist. of the
Principality
of Wales,
and Dutchy
of Cornwall,
4to. Anno
1630, p.
103, 104.*

The Corporation consists of a Mayor, eight Magistrates, or Aldermen, and two Assistants. The Members of Parliament are elected by the Inhabitants at large, paying Scot and Lot, being in Number. The Mayor for the Time being, with the last preceding Mayor, and senior Alderman, are Justices of the Peace. A Recorder was allow'd them by King James the IIId's Charter, before whose Time the chief Magistrate was a Portreve.

When this was made a Borough I cannot learn; but certain it is, that it never return'd to Parliament before the 13th Year of Queen Elizabeth; tho' in Edward the IIId's Time, being a maritime Place, it sent up, in Conjunction with *Loo*, a Merchant or Ship-Owner to a Council, to treat of Sea-Affairs.

fairs, of which, and its first-sending Burgeses I have treated of in *Eastflow*. As to the Buildings of this Town, the Contrivance of them is very ordinary, the Houses being crowded together, with so many intricate Passages, that there is not an open Street belonging to it.

Ware's History of Ireland.

The Church, which is dedicated to St. *Fimbarrus*, call'd *Barrus*, and *Barr the White*, reputed the first Bishop of *Cork* in *Ireland*, said to have been born at *Connaught* about the Year 400, and to have dy'd 7 Cal. *October*, as I should guess, by his being Tutor to *St. Iia*, as hinted in the last Borough, is a pretty large Building, but something clumsy and unneat. It was, as I judge by the Badge of the Earl of *Warwick* carved on the Steeple, spoken of in *Carew's Survey of Cornwall*, erected in *Henry the VIth's*, or *Edward the IVth's* Reign. In it hangs a Table of Benefactions, among which is a large one of 30 *l. per Annum*, given by one Mr. *Vincent* to a Free-School; and another of an Hospital well endow'd by one Mr. *Rashleigh*, whose Family have a Burial-Place in the *North Isle*.

The Harbour of this Town is very commodious for Shipping; the Entrance is narrow, and very deep for three Miles, to return into the Country; and all the Way very clear from Bars of Sand, or Rocks.

At the Mouth of the Harbour, on the *West* Side, are the Ruins of an old Castle; when you have pass'd onwards about two Bow-shot, there are two small square Towers, opposite to each other.

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In the last *Dutch War*, the Town had a Chain extending cross the River, from one Tower to the other, being 200 Fathom distant. They have since lost this Chain, and affirm, that it was stoll'n from them, and carry'd to *Dartmouth*.

Having thus given the present State of the Town, as well as I could be acquainted therewith, I shall subjoin this Account of it from the famous Antiquary *Leland*, the Scarcity of whose Works, there being only 120 printed, renders the Quotation almost as valuable as if taken from the Manuscript.

" There is at the *West Point* of the Haven *Leland's*
" of *Fawey Mouth*, a Blok-House devisid by *Itin. Vol. 3.*

" *Thomas Trewy*, and made partely by his *p. 17.*

" Cost, partely by the Town of *Fawey*.

" A litle higher on this Point of the Hill,
" is a Chapel of *St. Catarine*.

" And harde under the Roote of this Hille,
" a litle withyn the Haven Mouth, is a li-
" tle Bay, or Cricke, bering the Name of
" *Catarine*.

" About a Quarter of a Mile upper on
" this the *West Side* of *Fawey Haven*, is a
" square Toure of Stone, for Defence of the
" Haven, made about King *Edward the 4's*
" Tyme; and litle above this Tower on the
" same Side, is *Fawey Town*, lying alonge
" the Shore, and buildid on the Side of a
" great slatty rokkid Hille.

" In the Midle of the Toun, apou the
" the Shore self, is a House builded qua-
" drantly in the Haven, which shadowith
" the

“ the Shippes in the Haven above it, from
 “ three Partes of the Haven Mouth, and de-
 “ fendith them from Stormes.

“ The Name of the Town of *Fawey* is in
 “ *Cornisch Conwbath*. It is set on the North
 “ Side of the Haven, and is set hangging
 “ on a maine rokky Hille, and is in Length
 “ about a Quarter of a Mile.

“ The Towne longgid to one *Caridinham*,
 “ a Man of great Fame; and he gave it to
 “ *Tywartraith* Priorie, of the which sum say
 “ that *Cardinham* was Founder, sum say *Cam-*
 “ *permulph* of *Bere*.

“ But at this Gift *Fawey* was but a smaul
 “ *Fischar* Town. The Paroch-Chirch of *Faw-*
 “ *ey* is of *S. Fimbarrus*, and was improprieate
 “ to the Priorie of *Tywartraith*.

“ The Glorie of *Fawey* rose by the Warres
 “ in King *Edward* the first and the thirde,
 “ and *Henry* the 5's Day, partely by Feates
 “ of Warre, partely by Pyracie; and so wax-
 “ ing riche, felle al to Marchaundice; so
 “ that the Town was hauntid with Shippes
 “ of diverse Nations, and their Shippes went
 “ to al Nations.

Ibidem,
 p. 18.

“ The Shippes of *Fawey* sayling by *Rbie*
 “ and *Winchelsey* about *Edward* the 3's Tyme,
 “ wold vale no Bonet beyng requirid;
 “ wherapon *Rby* and *Winchelsey* Men and
 “ they faught, wher *Fawey* Men had Victo-
 “ rie, and therapon bare their Armes mixt
 “ with the Arms of *Rby* and *Winchelsey*; and
 “ then rose the Name of the [Gallants of *Fawey*.]

“ The *French* Men diverse Tymes assailed
 “ this Town, and last most notably about
 “ *Henry*

" Henry the 6's Tyme; when the Wife of
 " Thomas Treury the 2, with her Men, repel-
 " lid the *French* out of her House in her
 " Housebandes Absence. Wherapon Thomas
 " Treury buildid a right fair and stronge em-
 " batelid Towr in his House: and Embate-
 " ling al the Waulles of the House, in a man-
 " er made it a Castelle, and onto this Day
 " it is the Glorie of the Town-Building in
 " Faweye.

" In *Edwarde* the 4's Day were 2 stronge
 " Towers, made a litle beneth the Toun,
 " one on eche Side of the Haven, and a
 " Chaine to be drawn over.

" When Warre in *Edwarde* the 4's Dayes
 " seasid bytwene the *French* Men and *Eng-*
 " *lish*, the Men of *Fawey* usid to pray kept
 " their Shippes, and assailed the *Frenchmen*
 " in the Sea, agayn King *Edwardes* Com-
 " mandement; wherapon the Capitaines of
 " the Shippes of *Fawey* were taken and sent
 " to *London*, and *Dertemouth* Men command-
 " ed to fetche their Shippes away; at which
 " Tyme *Dertmouth* Men toke their in *Fawey*,
 " and toke away, as it is said, the great
 " Chein.

Hollinshead and *Carew*, both from a View Hollings-
head's
Chron. Vol.
1. p. 62.
 of this Account of *Leland*, gives us an Ex-
 tract of it, and the latter adds, That *Foy* re-
 ceiv'd that Name of the River, and bestow-
 eth the same on the Town. That here were Carew's
Survey of
Cornwall,
p. 134.
 sixty Sail of tall Ships at one Time belong-
 ing to the Harbour; and that the Towns-
 men of this Place assisted at the Siege of *Ca-*
lais with forty seven.

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But

Camden's
Brit. p. 8.

But neither of these have examin'd *Leland* with that Exactness as Mr. *Camden*, who informs us, that the old *British* Name of *Fowey*, is *Foath*; that great Antiquary, in the seventh Volume of his Itinerary, making an Amendment of what he inserted in his third, in these Words,

Leland's
Itin. Vol. 7.
p. 10.

"Where as I writte in the Qwaires of *Cornwalle*, that *Fawey* was caullyd in the olde *Corniscbe*, *Cowwath*, make it *Fawatbe*.

This also rectifies another Mistake committed by the abovesaid Authors, &c. in not reading the Hand of *Leland*, which is not very easy, by making the *n* a *w*, viz. *Conwathe* for *Cowwath*.

EDWARD III.

14 Council at West. John Hurston, a Ship-Owner, return'd for this Place and Loo.

ELIZABETH.

- 13 P. at West. Rob. Peter, Gent. Rob. Cromtwell, Gent.
- 14 at West. Will. Russell, Esq; Edw. Harrington, Esq;
- 27 at West. Reginald Mohun, Esq; Will. Treffry, Esq;
- 28 at West. Reginald Mohun, Esq; John Bonithon, Esq;
- 31 at West. John Rashley, Esq; Arthur Aty, Esq;
- 35 at West. Will. Killigrew, Esq; Sam. Lennard, Gent.
- 39 at West. John Rashleigh, Tho. Trefry.
- 43 at West. Cary Rawleigh, Kt. Will. Courtney, jun. Kt.

JAMES I.

- 1 P. at West. Hen. Peter, Esq; Francis Vivian, Esq;
- 12 at West.
- 18 at West. Jonathan Rashleigh, Esq; John Trefry, Esq;
- 21 at West. Will. Noy, Esq; Rob. Cook, Kt.

CHARLES

CHARLES I.

- 1 P. at West. Arthur Bassett, Jonathan Rashleigh, Esqs;
 1 at West. Arthur Bassett, Esq; Will. Murrey, Esq;
 3 at West. Ric. Greenville, Kt. Rob. Rashleigh, Esq;
 15 at West. Edwin Rich, Esq; Jonathan Rashleigh, Esq;
 16 at West. Jonathan Rashleigh, Esq; Ric. Buller, Esq;
 Nicolas Gold, Esq;

CHARLES II.

- 1 P. at West. Edw. Herle, Esq; John Barton, Esq;
 13 at West. Jonathan Rashleigh, John Rashleigh, Esqs;
 31 at West. Jonathan Rashleigh, Esq; John Trefrey, Esq;
 31 at West. Nathaniel Rashleigh, John Trefrey, Esqs;
 32 at Oxon. Jonathan Rashleigh, John Trefrey, Esqs;

JAMES II.

- 1 P. at West. Beville Greenville, Esq; John Trefry, Esq;

WILLIAM & MARY.

- 1 P. at West. Jonath. Rashleigh, Shadrach Vincent, Esqs;
 2 at West. Jonath. Rashleigh, Shadrach Vincent, Esqs;

WILLIAM III.

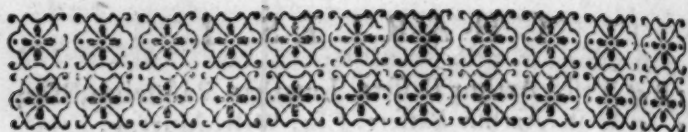
- 7 P. at West. Tho. Vivian, Esq; Bevill Granville, Esq;
 10 at West. Bevill Granville, Esq; Tho. Vivian, Esq;
 12 at West. John Williams, Hon. John Granville, Esqs;
 13 at West. John Williams, Esq; John Hickes, Esq;

ANNE.

- 1 P. at West. Geo. Granville, Esq; John Hickes, Esq;
 4 at West. Geo. Granville, Esq; John Hickes, Esq; † In his
 7 at West. Geo. Granville, Hen. Vincent, jun. Esqs; Place, made
 9 at West. † Honourable George Hay, Lord Duplin, a Peer of
 Henry Vincent, jun. Esq; England,
 12 at West. Hen. Vincent, jun. Germin Wyche, Esqs; Bernard
 Granville

T 2

B O- Esq;



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St. G E R M A N S

Collier's
Ecclesiast.
History.



Chauncy's
Antiq. of
Hertford-
shire, p.
452.

Receives its Name, as it derives its Original, from *St. German*, a Native of *Auxierre* in *France*, of which Place he afterwards became Bishop. He was a great Master of Elocution, and esteem'd one of the best Pleaders in his Time, and for that Reason was by the *French* Bishops, *Anno* 429, with *Lupus* Bishop of *Troye*, delegated to go into *Britain*, to oppose the *Pelagian* Heresy; which he did with very good Success at *Verulam* in *Hertfordshire*, and thereby establish'd so great Reputation and Esteem among the *Britains*, that they thought fit to dedicate several Churches to his Memory, among which was a famous Chapel built in the Time of *Eadfrith* V, Abbot of *St. Albans*, near the ruin'd Walls of the City of *Verulam*, to the Honour of this Saint; where he had openly preach'd God's Word out of the Pulpit, as the ancient Records of *St. Alban's* Church testify. To him was also

also consecrated the stately Abby of *Selby* in *Yorkshire*, (whose Abbot was a Parliamentary Baron) as were abundance of Churches in *Wales*, which Country paid a more than ordinary Respect to him; he having, as 'tis said, on his second Voyage hither, (made *Anno* 435, to re-establish his former Labours) founded the Bishopricks of *Llandaff*, and, as some affirm, instituted the University of *Oxford*. During his Stay here this Time, he is likewise reported to have visited these Parts, and taken up his Residence in this Place, of which the Inhabitants retain several Stories. He sate Bishop of *Auxierre* 30 Years and 25 Days, and dy'd *July* 31, 448, on which Day his Festival is celebrated. His Life is found in all the Ecclesiastical Writers, as *Bede*, *Baronius*, Bishop *Stillingfleet*, *Inet*, and *Collier's Church History*, to which I refer, and proceed briefly to remark, that *Anno* 905, in the Time of *Edward the Elder*, upon creating some new Episcopal Sees, a Bishop was instituted in *Cornwall*, at *Bodmin*, or, as *Cressy's Church History*, p. 801. some write, at *St. Germans*, in both which Places Bishops are said to have resided, not altogether, but successively: But, as I take it, the Cathedral was first establish'd at *Bodmin*, and there continu'd for about thirty Years, 'till the Reign of King *Athelstan*, in whose Time the *Danes*, causing great Troubles and Confusions at *Bodmin*, occasion'd the *Ibidem*, Bishops to remove their See to a Town more *p. 832*, westward, call'd *St. Germans*; where likewise King *Athelstan*, as it were by a prophetic Providence, built a fair Church, as my

Author

Author says. The first Bishop, as already observ'd, in *Bodmin*, was *Athelstan*, who was succeeded by *Conan*, *Ruydoc*, *Aldred*, and *Brithwin*; and they by *Athelstan II*, *Wolfe*, *Woronus*, *Wolocus*, *Stidio*, *Aldredus*, and *Burwoldus*; after whose Death, *Livingus*, Bishop of *Crediton* (aliàs *Kirton*) in *Devonshire*, procur'd this Bishoprick to be annex'd to his own; but his next Successor, *Leofricus*, about the Year 1049, translated them both to *Exeter*, where it has continu'd ever since.

As to the Time that this Place enjoy'd this Honour, I can only judge it to have been about 113 Years, viz. from the Year 936 to 1049, and from *Leland* may guess, that eleven Bishops sat here; " he informing us, that on the right Hand, near the high Altar, was a Tomb in the Wall, with the Image of a Bishop, over which were eleven more painted, with their Names, and Verses, as Tokens of so many Bishops bury'd there, or that there had been so many Bishops that had their Seat there;" after the Removal of which, Anno 1050, *Leofric*, the first Bishop of *Exeter*, chang'd the Seculars of this Collegiate Church, founded by King *Athelstan*, and endow'd by King *Cannute*, into Black Canons, between whom and his new-erected Episcopal See, the Manor of this Town was divided: And that it stood upon that Establishment at the Time of the Norman Invasion, appears in *Doomsday-Book*, which informs us, that the Manor or Parish of St. Germans consisted of twenty four Hides, whereof the Bishop of *Exeter* had twelve, and the

Leland's Itin. Vol. 7. p. 99.

Tanner's Notit. Monast. p. 30.

Brady of Boroughs, p. 42.

the Canons of that Place twelve; what belong'd to the Bishop, was valu'd at 8l. per Annum, and what belong'd to the Canons, at 100s. This Account also shews us, that in this Manor there was then a Market on the Lord's Day; but it was reduc'd to nothing, by Reason of that of the Earl of Moreton's being very near, which I conceive might be kept at Trematon, that Earl having Privilege of a Market at his Castle there. That the State of this Place was thus at the Conquest, is plain by the above cited Record, viz. the Division of the Town into two Manors; and in this Tenure it continues at this Day; the Bishops Moiety being held by Lease of three Lives, by *Edward Eliot*, Esq; Proprietor also of the other Manor, whose Predecessors have probably ever since the Dissolution of Monasteries, been Farmers, or Lessee-Tenants to the See of *Exeter*; by Virtue of which Lease, as this Manor is vested in them; so the other, belonging to the Priory, has thus descended, from the Surrender thereof, dated *March 2, Anno 30 Hen. VIII.*, when *Robert Swimmer*, the last Prior, with seven Monks, yielded up the same into the King's Hands, who not long after, by Letters Patent dated *March 10, Anno Regni 33,* and *Anno Dom. 1542*, granted to *John Champernour*, *John Ridgeway*, and *Walter Smith*, among other Lands, the Site, &c. of this Priory, which, upon Partition, came to Mr. *Champernour's* Share, whose Heir sold it about thirty or forty Years after to *Richard Elliot*, Esq; my Wife's Ancestor, in which Family

Family both these Manors yet continue. Concerning how Mr. *Champernoun* came by it, there being a pleasant Story told, I shall beg Leave to recite it out of *Carew's Survey of Cornwall*: " Upon the Dissolution of Abbeys, temp. Hen. VIII, when that King profusely shar'd the Lands among his craving Courtiers, two or three Gentlemen, the King's Servants and Master *Champernoun's* Acquaintance, waited at the Door where the King was to pass, with Purpose to beg such a Matter at his Hands. Our Gentleman became inquisitive to know their Suit; they made strange to impart it. This while out comes the King; they kneel down, so doth Master *Champernoun*; they prefer their Petition, the King grants it; they render humble Thanks, so doth Master *Champernoun*: Afterwards he requires his Share, they deny it; he appeals to the King, the King avoweth his equal Meaning in the Largest, (*viz.* That he had granted it to all three) whereupon the overtaken Companions were feign to allot him this Priory for his Partage;" which, soon after, upon Mr. *Eliot's* purchasing it, was nam'd *Port Eliot*; since when, this Appellation has so far prevail'd, that *Port Eliot* has been inserted in Maps, as if it was a particular Vill. Of the Antiquity, &c. of this Family, it being expected I should say something, I hope the Reader will pardon my making a little Excursion, while I shall only remark, that they flourish'd for eight or ten Generations in *Devonshire*, before they trans-

transplanted themselves hither, and had match'd into several considerable Families in that County, as the *Sigdens*, *Cotlands*, *Bonvilles*, *Sumasters*, *Fitz*, *Careswells*, &c. Anno 1433, temp. Hen. VI, *Walter Eliot* was return'd among the Gentry of *Devonshire*. And to this Family, as it should seem by the Arms, was ally'd *Sir Richard Eliot*, made by King *Henry VIII* one of the Justices of the King's Bench, who was, as I take it, Father to the famous *Sir Thomas Eliot*. This *Sir Richard*, by his Will which I have seen, appointed his Body to be bury'd in the Cathedral of *Salisbury*, Anno 1520, of which Church *Robert Eliot* dy'd a Dignitary, Anno 1562, who was Unkle, as I guess by the Pedigree, to *Richard Eliot*, who not long after seated himself here, where he liv'd, as *Carew* tells us, in great Hospitality; he was bury'd in this Church of *St. Germans*, June 24, 1609, having left Issue *John* his Son, born and baptiz'd here, April 20, 1590. This *John*, Anno 1607, became a Gentleman-Commoner of *Exeter* College, which Place leaving about two or three Years after, he went to the Inns of Court; and May 10, 1618, receiv'd the Honour of Knighthood, and was all his Life-time after chosen a Member in the succeeding Parliaments. He was a very plausible Speaker in the House of Commons, as his Speeches publish'd testify; but being a virulent Enemy to the Court-Practices often suffer'd Confinement, and dy'd in Custody, as I have heard, in the Tower of London, and was

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bury'd in the Chapel thereto belonging. By the Inquisition taken after his Death, he is said to have dy'd Nov. 27, 8 Car. I, 1632, leaving Issue *John* his Son and Heir, then twenty Years and forty Days old. This *John* was born at *Port Eliot*, and baptiz'd Oct. 18, 1612: He was bury'd here, near his Grandfather, at the upper End of the South Isle, or Nave of this Church, March 25, 1685, leaving only one Son, *Daniel Eliot*, Esq; my Father-in-Law; who departing this Life about the 60th Year of his Age, was bury'd among his Ancestors, October 28, 1702. This Gentleman, in Regard that he had only one Daughter, nam'd *Katherine*, bequeath'd his Estate, in order to keep up the Name of his Family, to *Edward Eliot*, Grandson to *Nicolas Eliot*, fourth Son of Sir *John Eliot*, Kt. aforesaid. I have been thus particular in setting down the Sepulchres of this Family out of the Parish-Register, in Regard that there is not the least Monument or Inscription for them.

Touching when this was made a Borough, and sent Burgeses to Parliament, I shall refer to what I have said elsewhere in this County. Its first Return of Members, was in the Session of Parliament, held by Prorogation, Anno 5 Eliz. 1562, January 22; at which Time its having Representatives was questioned. However, Mr. Speaker declar'd in the House, that the Lord Steward agreed, that they should resort thither, and with convenient Speed to shew their Letters Patent, whereby they be return'd. In this Indenture, the

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Pryn's Parl. Reg. Vol. 4. f. 1178.

Returning Officer is call'd the Mayor; but in the next, and in all other Returns, the Portreve; which Magistrate is yearly nominated and chosen at the Lord's Court-Leet, held about *Michaelmas* by his Steward, who impannels a Jury for that Purpose. As to the Choice of Members of Parliament, all the Inhabitants, House-holders, have Votes, that have liv'd a Year within the Borough; the Bounds of which don't extend very far, and only comprehend about fifty or sixty Houses, lying near the Church, and not the whole Vill of *St. Germans*; great Part of which is without the Borough, as is the rest of the Parish, which is the largest in *Cornwall* in Extent, tho' not very populous; for the Births and Burials, *communibus Annis*, rarely exceed thirty four or thirty five; and the whole Number of Houses are computed under three hundred and thirty. This Parish is reckon'd seven Miles in Length, and half as much in Breadth, and twenty Miles in Circumference. In it are these Divisions, *St. Germans* Borough and Vill, *Cuddenbeak*, *Bake*, *Molineck*, *Catchfrench*, *Pole-Martin*, *Hendra*, *Treskelly*, *Cutcrew*, *Coldrinneck*, and *Tiddiford*; at several of which Hamlets, are Seats of Gentlemen: As at *Bake*, the learned *Walter Moyle*, Esq; has a very fine Seat; whose great Courteousness to me, during those few Days I was in these Parts, requires my particular Acknowledgment; *John Trelawney*, Esq; at *Coldrinneck*; *Will. Scawen*, Esq; at *Molineck*; *Will. Hancock*, Esq; at *Hendra*; besides my

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Kinsman, *Edward Eliot*, Esq; at *Port-Eliot*; who has also, by Lease, the Episcopal Palace at *Cuddenbeak*, now only a Farm-House. It stands on a Hill a quarter of a Mile above the Town, and has a pleasant Prospect of the River. It is stil'd, in some Writings, *Cuddenbeak Borough*; a Privilege which it might perhaps obtain from *Walter Bishop of Exeter*, temp. *Hen. III*, when *Perry* seems to have been made a Borough; and from this Example, the Prior, with the Assistance of the Bishop, might also so dignify the Vill of *St. Germans*, tho' neither of them, *Anno 30 Edw. I*, when they certify'd respectively their Liberties and Claims of Privileges, as of *Infangthes*, *Market*, and *Fair*, &c. stil'd this Place otherwise than the Manor of *St. Germans*: Nor have I met with it under any other Denomination, till *Queen Elizabeth's* Time, or seen any Record mentioning its Incorporation, or any other Charter of Privilege granted hereunto; tho' the Inhabitants have a Tradition, that they had an ancient Charter, which was unfortunately stoll'n from them by a Person imprison'd by the Portreve; who is, by Prescription, Bayliff of the Town, and may make what House he pleases, within the Borough, his Prison, when he arrests any Person.

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*Carew's
Survey of
Cornwall,
p. 109.*

As to a Description of this Borough, called, in *Carew*, the Church-Town, it mustreth, as that Author tells us, sundry Ruins, but little Wealth, occasion'd, as some conceive, by abandoning their Fishing-Trade;

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or, as the greater Sort imagine, by their being deserted by the religious People; for its chief Support was certainly heretofore the Priory: The Fabrick of which having been rescu'd, together with the Church, at the general Dissolution, from the common Fate of Monasteries, I shall crave Leave to say something in Relation to them, first presuming, that nothing else in the Town merits Observation, the Houses being very meanly built, and irregular, and situate on an uneven Rock, affording no tolerable Reception for Travellers, or People who come to the Market, to which this Town pretends a Title, and has a small pedling one on *Fridays*, almost unfrequented. The little Trade it drives, is by Fishing in *Tiddiford* River, (which, about ten Miles downwards, empties it self into the Harbour of *Plymouth*) washing the lower Parts of the Town. The Priory fronts to this River, now call'd, as above noted, *Port-Eliot*. It is a handsome large Building, containing several spacious Rooms, and has a Court before it, adorn'd with a strong Pierre by the present Proprietor, *Edward Eliot*, Esq; (who has much beautify'd the whole Building) against the Banks of the River. In the Dining-Room, which you enter at the North Side of the great Hall, are several Arms of the Matches of the *Eliots*, painted in the Portal; whose Paternal Coat is, *Argent, a Fess Gules, between two Barrs Gemelles Vavy Azure*; and in a Bow-Window of ancient Work, yet remain, in painted Glass, the

the Arms of *Arundel*, viz. *Sable*, six *Martlets Or*, quartering *Carminow*, *Azure*, a *Bend Or*; and likewise the Arms of this *Priory*, as, I suppose, being a *Sword* and two *Keys endors'd in Saltire*, impaling (*Ouldbam*, Bishop of *Exeter*, as I judge, by the *Mitre* over it) *Sable*, a *Chevron Or*, between three *Owls proper*, on a *Chief of the second*, three *Roses Gules*; as also these Arms in another *Shield*, viz. *Argent*, three *Bells Or*; which I conjecture to have belong'd to *Robert Swimmer*, last *Prior* of this *Monastry*, in whose *Time* this *Window* is suppos'd to have been glaz'd, and in all Probability that Part of the *House* built, and these Arms then put up. Opposite to this *Priory*, on the *North Side*, stands the *Church*, which might perhaps anciently have been join'd to it by *Cloisters*. It consists of a *North Isle*, and two spacious *Naves*, which are *Til'd*. At the *West End* are two *Towers* of equal *Height*, tho' not of the same *Form*. That on the *South Side* being a square *Tower*, and that on the *North* an *Octogon*. Before the *Dissolution*, this *Church* was, as *Leland* tells us, divided into two *Parts*; the great *South Isle*, or *Nave*, with a *Tower* at the *West End* of it, serving for the *Use* of the *Parishioners*; and the middle *Isle*, or *Nave*, together with the low *North Isle*, and *Tower* at the *West End* thereof, with the *Chancel*, or *Choir*, being appropriated to the *Use* of the *Convent*; at the *Dissolution* of which, they were all laid together, tho' the *North Tower* and *Chancel* have been suffer'd

suffer'd to go to Ruin, infomuch, that great Part of the latter, falling down suddenly, Anno 1592, upon a *Friday*, shortly after publick Service was ended; tho' it was repair'd for the present, as *Carew* tells us, has been since entirely demolish'd; as is the Roof and Loss of the *North Tower*, tho' the Walls yet stand. In it were, before the Dissolution, a Set of Bells, which were, as the Parishioners have a Notion, carry'd to the neighbouring Churches. This was undoubtedly a Clock-House to the Parish, and serv'd to the Use of the Priory; which being dissolv'd, render'd (in the Opinion of sacrilegious Persons) this Building altogether needless; tho' it is a great Ornament to the *West Front*, which looks very majestick and Cathedral-like, having a very antique Portal between them. The Church has at present seven Arches, tho' when the Chancel stood, it had three or four more. The *South Isle* is Compass-roof'd, as well as the Nave; but the *North Isle* is low and narrow, and the Roof slanting. That Part which now stands, is within the Walls, 102 Foot in Length, and about 70 Foot in Breadth. The *Western Front*, and Height of the Towers, answer little more. When the Chancel, or Choir, was standing, that measur'd about 55 Foot in Length, and about 24 Foot in Breadth. The whole is a light handsome Structure, and was well adorn'd with painted Glass and Arms. The *South Isle*, and Nave, appears to be the newest Building; at the upper End of which, near the high Altar, are

are Niches handsomely carv'd in Stone, together with an ancient Monument under an Arch in the Wall, erected here at rebuilding this Part; over which were painted, I presume, those Effigies of Bishops mention'd in *Leland*, which it is a great Pity should have been defac'd, as are all the ancient Monuments of this Church; tho' there yet remain some Arms in the Windows, with Carvings on the Seats; as particularly of *Stafford* and *Courtney*, Bishops of *Exeter*; and the aforesaid Arms, viz. a Sword and two Keys indors'd in Saltire, presum'd to be those of the Priory, are frequently repeated. In the Chancel is a Marble Monument of *Will. Scawen* of *Mollineck*, Esq; who dy'd *Anno* 1689; and in the North Isle are several Tombs of the *Moyles*, as of *John Moyle*, Esq; who dy'd *Anno* 1661; and of Sir *Walter Moyle*, who dy'd *Anno* 1701. This Family is of great Antiquity in *Kent*, from whence they transplanted themselves, by Marriage, into these Parts, their Lands in that Country having pass'd to the *Finches*, Earls of *Winchelsey*, with a Daughter, or Kinswoman, of *Tho. Moyle*, Esq; Speaker of the House of Commons, temp. *Hen. VIII.* In the 26th Year of whose Reign, this Place had an Honour bestow'd on it, now little taken Notice of, if not altogether forgotten, viz. of being establish'd, by Act of Parliament, the See of a Suffragan Bishop for the County of *Cornwall*, in the Diocess of *Exeter*. The Advowson of this Parochial Church, dedicated to *St. German* aforesaid, together with the Rectory,

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Rectory or Impropriation, late the Possessions of the Priory of this Place, valu'd at 61*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* *per Annum*, were granted by King *Edward* the VIth to the Dean and Chapter of *Windsor*, in whose Hands they now continue, and are Patrons of the Vicaridge.

ELIZABETH.

- 5 *P.* at West. Will. Mohun, Esq; Will. Hide, Esq;
- 13 at West. Cha. Glemham, Tho. Cosgrave, Gent.
- 14 at West. Tho. Ashe, Gent. Ric. Elliot, Gent.
- 27 at West. Geo. Carew, Esq; Hen. Denny, Esq;
- 28 at West. Tho. Bodley, Esq; Edw. Barker, Esq;
- 31 at West. Henry Barrington, Esq; Will. Langharne, Gent.
- 35 at West. John Glanville, *Serjeant at Law*, Sampson Lennard, Esq;
- 39 at West. Rob. Hatchman, John Chamberlaine.
- 43 at West. Geo. Carew, Esq; John Osborne, Esq;

JAMES I.

- 1 *P.* at West. John Carew, Kt. *Master in Chancery*, John Trott, Gent.
- 12 at West.
- 18 at West. Ric. Tisdale, Gent. Ric. Buller, Kt.
- 21 at West. John Stradling, Kt. & Bart. John Cooke, Esq;

CHARLES I.

- 1 *P.* at West. John Cook, Kt. Hen. Martin, Kt.
- 1 at West. John Elliot, Kt. Hen. Martin, Kt.
- 3 at West. Benj. Valentine, Esq; Tho. Cotton, Esq;
- 15 at West. Will. Scawen, Esq; John Elliot, Esq;
- 16 at West. Benj. Valentine, Esq; John Moyle, jun. Esq;

CHARLES II.

- 11 *P.* at West. John Elliot, Esq; Ric. Knightley, Esq;
- 13 at West. John Elliot, Esq; Edw. Elliot, Esq;
- 31 at West. Dan. Elliot, Esq; Ric. Elliot, Esq;

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- 31 P. at West. Dan. Elliot, Esq; Ric. Elliot, Esq;
 32 at Oxford, Dan. Elliot, Esq; Ric. Elliot, Esq;

JAMES II.

- 1 P. at West. Tho. Higgins, Kt. Ric. Eliot, Esq;

WILLIAM & MARY.

- 1 P. at West. Walter Moyle, Kt. Daniel Elliot, Esq;
 2 at West. Dan. Elliot, Esq; Hen. Fleming, Esq;

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Elliot Esq;

WILLIAM III.

- 7 P. at West. Dan. Elliot, Esq; Hen. Fleming, Esq;
 10 at West. Dan. Elliot, Esq; ¶ John Tanner, Esq;
 12 at West. † John Speccot, Esq; Henry Fleming, Esq;
 13 at West. Ric. Edgcomb, Esq; Henry Fleming, Esq;

ANNE.

- 1 P. at West. Hen. Fleming, Esq; John Anstis, Esq;
 4 at West. * Sam. Rolle, Esq; Hen. Fleming, Esq;
 7 at West. Edw. Elliot, Esq; Francis Scobell, Esq;
 9 at West. Edw. Elliot, Esq; John Knight, Esq;
 12 at West. Edw. Elliot, Esq; John Knight, Esq;

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St. MICHAEL,



IS a small Hamlet, scarce containing thirty Houses, all Cottages, save one, which is a publick Inn, not long since erected, and is the only til'd House in this poor Borough. It lies in a Thorough-Fair-Street, one Side of which is in *Newlyn* Parish, and the other in *St. Enodore*, which latter took its Name from an *Irish* Saint. Concerning the Antiquity of this Borough, and when it was created so, I have little to say, but that it first sent Members to Parliament *Anno 6 Edward VI*; in which Return it is call'd *Villa Mychell*, as it is in all the ancient Indentures styl'd *Burgus* or *Villa Mychell*, *Mitchell*, or *Modishole*, and no where *St. Michael*, 'till of late, to which Denomination it has no Pretence but vulgar Error. The Manor of this Place is still in Possession of the ancient Family of *Arundel* of *Llanbern*, whose Ancestor, *Ralph de Arundel*, purchas'd the same, *temp. Henry III*, by whose Interest I presume, with *Richard Earl of Cornwall*, King

Cressy's Church-Hist. p. 194.

Vid. Aug. in Capel, Rotul.

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of the *Almains*, (for whom he executed the Sheriff's Office for the County of *Cornwall*, Anno 44 Henry III.) this Town obtain'd its Privileges; for Anno 30 Edw I, John de Arundel, Heir of this Ralph, certify'd his Claim to a Market and Fair in his Manor of *Modeshole*, which he challeng'd by hereditary Descent from one Ralph his Ancestor; and pleaded, that the said Ralph purchas'd this Manor of Peter de Ralegh, Heir of Walter de Ralegh and Isabell his Wife, to which Walter, King Henry by his Charter, gave the aforesaid Liberties; which being produc'd by the said John, the same was allow'd.

As to procuring Markets in these Days, 'twas easily obtain'd, and almost every Town, belonging to Persons of Eminence, was vested with that Privilege; I having seen frequent Grants of Markets and Fairs, in this Age, to Monasteries situate near no Town, made on no other Account, than to indulge them Liberty of buying at their own Gates, there being anciently a Restraint or Penalty laid on Persons, who presum'd so to do in Places not qualify'd by Charter; which Case I have here noted, to shew, that I don't conceive that this Place ought to be reckon'd more considerable on the Account of this Privilege, which might scarcely be made Use of. However, here is yet a Fair observ'd on the 4th of October, on St. Francis Day, an Italian, Founder of the Franciscan Order of Friars.

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This Borough is govern'd by a Portreve, annually elected at the Court-Leet of the

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Heir of *Arundel of Llanberrn*, the present High Lord, by a Jury, consisting of the principal Inhabitants of the Borough; which Portreve, by Prescription, must be chosen out of the six chief Tenants, or Substitutes, of the said High Lord, call'd here Deputy-Lords, as, I judge, from their having Lands in this Borough; who are at this Time Sir *Will. Carewe*, Sir *Ric. Vivyan*, Barts, Sir *Will. Scawen*, Kt. *Hugh Boscawen* and *Will. Courtney*, Esqs; and *Gully*, Gent. one of which must be annually chosen Portreve, no other being capable of that Office. The Members to serve in Parliament, have been elected several Ways; sometimes by a Jury of the principal Inhabitants, and at others by the Inhabitants in general; but on the 20th of *March*, 1700, the Right of Election was settled, by Vote in the House of Commons, to be in the Lords of the said Borough, capable of being Portreves, and in the Inhabitants paying Scot and Lot, who were then not above sixteen, but are now twenty six.

Here is no Chapel in this little Town, or Vill, of *Modeshole*, as it is call'd *Anno 30 Edw. I*; neither can I learn that any was here anciently. I find Mention of another Town in this County, call'd the Vill of *Mousehole*, where *Henry Tyas* claim'd a *Market and Fair*; which I suppose to be the Place spoken of by *Leland* in his *Itinerary*, *Vol. 3. p. 6.* near to which, he tells us, was an Islet and Chapel of *St. Clement's*. This I here mention, least I should be thought to have

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have confounded these Places. This *Moufe-bole* lay near *Pensance*.

EDWARD VI.

6 P. at West. Rob. Beverly, Humphry Molsley.

MARY.

1 P. at West. Fran. Goldsmith, Esq; Edw. Chamberlaine.
1 at Oxford, Clement Tussard, Andrew Tussard.

PHILIP & MARY.

1 & 2 P. at West. Andrew Tussard, Paul Stamford.
2 & 3 at West. John Arundell, John Thomas, Esq;
4 & 5 at West. John Arundel de Trevice, jun. Esq;
Tho. Gardner, Gent.

ELIZABETH.

1 P. at West. Rob.
5 at West. Rob. Hopton, Esq; Tho. Wilson, Esq;
13 at West. Edw. Stafford, Esq; Francis Alford.
14 at West. Cha. Lister, Esq; Tho. West, Esq;
27 at West. Edw. Baker, Esq; James Crispe, Esq;
28 at West. Tho. Cosworth, Esq; Hen. Sumaster, Esq;
31 at West. Edw. Cosworth, Esq; James Clarke, Gent.
35 at West. Walter Rawleigh, Kt. Ric. Reynell, Esq;
39 at West. John Carew, Esq; John Arundell.
43 at West. Will. Chalmley, Esq; George Chidley, Esq;

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Rolle, Esq;

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at East
Retford,
Denzell
Hollis,
Esq;

JAMES I.

1 P. at West. ¶ Will. Cary, Esq; Will. Hakewill, Esq;
12 at West.
18 at West. Ric. Carew of Anthony, Esq; Richard
Thelwall, Gent.
27 at West, ‡ John Hollis, Esq; John Sawle, Esq;

CHARLES

CHARLES I.

- 1 P. at West. Hen. Sandys, Esq; John Smith, Kt.
 1 at West. Fra. Crossinge, Esq; John Smith, Kt.
 3 at West. Fra. Buller, Esq; John Sparke, Esq;
 15 at West. Peter Courtney, Esq; Will. Chad- } Double
 well, Esq; Fra. Bassett, Esq; } Return.
 Sam Costworth, Esq;
 16 at West. Will Chadwell, Esq; Rob. Holborn, Esq;
 Charles Lord Carr.

CHARLES II.

- 12 P. at West. Humfry Borlace, Esq; Tho. Ca- } Double
 rew, Esq; Heneage Finch, Esq; } Return.
 Matthew Wrenn, Esq;
 13 at West. Edward Moseley, Bart. } Double Re- † In his
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 Humfry Borlace, Esq; } disallow'd. ceas'd,
 Mat. Wren, Esq; } Francis
 31 at West. John St. Aubyn, Bart. Walter Vincent, Esq; Lord Haw-
 31 at West. John St. Aubyn, Bart. Humfry Borlace, ley.
 Esq;
 32 at Oxford, Wil. Russell, Kt. Hen. Vincent, Esq;

JAMES II.

- 1 P. at West. Tho. Price, Esq; John Vivian, jun. Esq;

WILLIAM & MARY.

- 1 P. at West. Fra. Vivian, Esq; Humfry Courtenay, Esq; * In his
 2 at West. Fra. Scobell, Esq; * Anth. Row, Esq; Place, un-
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 Courtenay

WILLIAM III.

- 7 P. at West. Humfry Courtenay, Esq; John Povey, Esq; Esq;
 10 at West. John Hawles, Kt. John Povey, Esq;
 12 at West. Will. Beaw, L. L. D. † Anth. Row, Esq;
 13 at West. Ric. Vivian, Barr. Will. Courtenay, Esq; † In his
 Place, un-
 duly elected
 Ric. Vivi-
 an, Barr.

A N N E.

ANNE

- 1 P. at West. Renatus Bellott, Esq; Francis Bassett, Esq;
 4 at West. Will. Hodges, Bart. Hugh Fortescue, Esq;
 7 at West. Hugh Fortescue, Esq; Will. Hodges, Bart.
 9 at West. Abraham Blackmore, Esq; Ric. Bellasis,
 Esq;
 12 at West. Hen. Bellasis, Kt. John Statham, Esq;

CHARLES II.



WILLIAM & MARY

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S, as before noted in *Launceston*, a Part of the Parish of *St. Stephen*, and grew into a Town, or Suburb to *Launceston*; on the Removal of the Priory Church lower down the Hill; which occasion'd the erecting the Church, or Chapel, in the Priory Cemetary, *Leland's* spoken of in *Leland*, now known by the *Itin. Vol.* Name of *St. Thomas*, to which at present belongs about eighty Houses; all which are compriz'd within the Borough of *Newport*, call'd also in this County *St. Stephens*, (tho' it is as far distant as *St. Mary Magdalen's* Church in *Launceston* is from its Mother-Church of *St. Stephen*, viz. half a Mile) and was probably comprehended heretofore within the same Borough, notwithstanding it belong'd to the Priors of *St. Stephen's*, as *Launceston* did to the Earls and Dukes of *Cornwall*; on which Account being separated in Jurisdiction from it, and obtaining some distinct Privileges which it laid Claim to at the

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Dissolution. The Return of Members of Parliament, *temp. Edw. 6.* was speciously challeng'd, and the sending up Burgessees easily procur'd, by its being then the King's Demesne. This Privilege it has exercis'd ever since, tho' I cannot find it was ever incorporated, or so much as anciently stil'd a Borough. However, two Persons call'd Vianders, are here yearly chosen at the Lord's Court, who are the returning Officers, and, with the Inhabitants at large, (being all those that pay Scot and Lot, or have Burgage-Tenure in this District, which perhaps may be about sixty in Number) elect the Representatives.

*Ex Autog.
in Capell.
Rotn/or.*

That this Place retain'd the Name of *Dunbeved*, as well as *Launceston*, is plain from the first Return of Members; for *Anno 6 Edw. VI.* the Sheriff of this County sent up Members for *Dunbeved*, aliàs *Newport*; and again, in the last Parliament of *Pbilip and Mary*, and *Anno 5 Eliz.* Members were return'd for *Dunbeved*, as well as for *Launceston*; and in one of the Indentures it is call'd *Villa Downbeved*, aliàs *Launceston*; tho' in some of the intermediate ones, 'tis nam'd *Newport*, juxta *Launceston*, and in others *Newport*, as at this Day. But whatever Privileges this Place exercis'd being owing to the Canons of *St. Stephen's*, I have no more to add here, than that it was Part of their Demesnes at the compiling of *Doomsday-Book*, which tells us, that *Canonici Sancti Stephani tenent Lanstave-ton*, at the same Time that *Comes Moritonensis tenet Dunbevet, ibi Castrium*

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Castrum Comitis; which different Tenures, as they then divided this Place into Lay and Ecclesiastical Possession, so it continu'd in both those Hands 'till the Dissolution of this Priory, remov'd, as before observ'd in *Launceston*, p. 16, by Bishop *Warwist*, who liv'd *temp. Hen. I.* lower down the Hill, into the midst of this Borough, and the Canons possess'd the same 'till the Reformation; whereby it devolving to the Crown, continu'd, as I judge, vested therein 'till King *Charles the Ild* probably gave it to Sir *William Morrice*, whom he knighted at his landing in *England*, Anno 1660, on his Restauration, and made Secretary of State; in whose Family it remains at present, one of his Descendants and Heirs, viz. Sir *Nicolas Morrice*, Bart. being the now Lord of this Manor and Borough of *Newport*, call'd also the Manor of *Launceston* from its Church, as above-mention'd; from a new Gate of which, it in all Likelihood, took the Name of *Newport*, which implies, *Nova Porta*.

Lord Clarendon's Hist. of the Rebellion, Vol. 3. p. 602.

EDWARD VI.

6 P. at West. John Kempthorn,

MARY.

1 P. at West. Rob. Mounson, John Kempthorn.

1 at Oxford, John Kempthorn, Arthur Welsh.

PHILIP & MARY.

1 & 2 P. at West. Rob. Mounson, Rob. Brown.

2 & 3 at West. Ric. Greenfelde, Esq; John Kempthorne,

4 & 5 at West. Rob. Mounson, John Heydon, Gent.

Y 2

ELIZA

ELIZABETH.

- 1 P. at West. Geo. Bassett, Esq; Aylshon Aylworth, Esq;
 5 at West. Hen. Chiverton, Esq; Ric. Greenville, Esq;
 13 at West. Geo. Greenville, Esq; Sampson Lennard, Esq;
 14 at West. Geo. Bassett, Esq; Will. Marbury, Esq;
 27 at West. Rob. Mordaunt, Esq; Will. Coverr, Esq;
 28 at West. John Osborne, Gent. Edw. Winter, Esq;
 31 at West. Will. Cavendish of London, Esq; Daniel Rogers, Esq;
 35 at West. Ric. Stephens, Esq; Eman. Chamond, Gent.
 39 at West. Morgan Coleman, Edw. Lewkenor.
 43 at West. John Leigh, Kt. Tobias Mathew, Esq;

JAMES I.

- 1 P. at West. Edw. Seymour, Kt. Rob. Killigrew, Kt.
 12 at West.
 18 at West. Edw. Barret, Kt. Rob. Killigrew, Kt.
 21 at West. John Elliot, Kt. Ric. Escot, Esq;

CHARLES I.

- 1 P. at West. John Elliot, Kt. Ralph Speccot, Esq;
 1 at West. Hen. Hungate, Kt. Tho. Williams, jun. Esq;
 * In his 3 at West. Pierce Edgecumb, Esq; * Will. Killigrew, Kt.
 Place, chose 15 at West. Nic. Trefusis, Esq; John Maynard, Esq;
 at Penryn, Paul Speccot, Esq;
 Nic. Tre- 16 at West. Ric. Edgcomb, Esq; fusis, Esq;

CHARLES II.

- 12 P. at West. Fra. Drake, Bart. Will. Morrice, Esq;
 † In his 13 at West. John Speccot, Esq; † Fra. Drake, Bart.
 Place, de- 31 at West. John Coryton, Esq; Amb. Manaton, Esq;
 ceas'd, 31 at West. John Coryton, Esq; Amb. Manaton, Esq;
 Nic. Mor- 32 at Oxf. Will. Morrice, Esq; Amb. Manaton, Esq;
 rice, Esq;

JAMES II.

- 1 P. at West. Will. Morrice, Esq; John Speccot, Esq;
 WILLIAM

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WILLIAM & MARY.

- 1 P. at West. Will. Morice, Bart. John Speccot, Esq;
- 2 at West. † Cha. Lord Cheyne, John Speccot, Esq;

† In his
Place, chose
for Har-
wich John
Morice,
Esq;

WILLIAM III

- 7 P. at West. Will. Morice, Esq; Hon. Cha. Lord Cheyne
- 10 at West. Hon. John Granville, Esq; * John Morice, Esq;
- 12 at West. Fra. Stratford, Esq; John Prideaux, Esq;
- 13 at West. Will. Pole, Esq; John Sparke, Esq;

* In his
Place, chose
for Sal-
rashe,
Francis
Stratford,
Esq;

ANNE.

- 1 P. at West. Nic. Morice, Bart. John Sparke, Esq;
- 4 at West. Nic. Morice, Bart. † John Sparke, Esq;
- 7 at West. Nic. Morice, Bart. Will. Pole, Bart.
- 9 at West. Nic. Morice, Bart. Geo. Courtenay, Esq;
- 12 at West. Nic. Morice, Bart. Humphry Morice, Esq;

† In his
Place, de-
ceas'd,
John Pole,
Bart.



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OF

St. MAWS,



Parson's
Exam. of
Fox's Mar-
tyrs.

Leland's
Itin. Vol. 3.
p. 15.

Ibidem,
Vol. 9. p.
76.

S of no greater Note than that of *Mitchel* aforementioned. 'Tis a small Hamlet, containing about the same Number of Houses; and has neither Church nor Chapel, but parish to a Village call'd *St. Just*, from a Person of that Name Bishop of *Lions* in *France*, who left his Bishoprick, and turn'd Hermit. His Festival is *Sept. 2.* As to *St. Maws*, it receives its Denomination from an *Irish* Saint of that Name, who liv'd abstemiously in this Place; whence sprung up a Fisher-Town, and a Chapel consecrated to his Memory, in the Cemetary of which, as *Leland* informs us, was his Chair of Stone, and a little without, his Well; and that, as some report, he was a Bishop in *Britain*, and painted as a School-master. The same Author gives us an Account of a Castle built here by King *Henry VIII.* to secure the Entrance of *Falmouth Haven*, of which Work his Friend *Trefry* having the Superintendency, requested of him to

to make some Verses to be engraven on the Stones of the Building, in Compliance with whom he compos'd these Inscriptions, which were accordingly plac'd on the Fabrick, which was an orbicular Building.

1st. *Henricus oct. Rex Anglia, Francia, & Hibernia, invictissimus me posuit Præsidium Republicæ Terrorem Hostibus.*

2d. *Semper Honos Henrice tuus Laudesque manebunt.*

3d. *Imperio Henrici Naves submitte vela.*

4th. *Gaudeat, Eduardo Duce, nunc Cornubia felix.*

5th. *Exprimat Eduardus fama factisque Parentem.*

To this Castle, which is in no great Repair, it being of little Strength, belongs a Governor, who has about 80 l. *per Annum* Salary, and a Deputy, who has about 28 l. *per Annum*, and two Gunners, who attend by Turns. Here are about seventeen Guns. The Royalty of it belongs to the Crown, as, probably, the Manor of the Borough did, 'till within this last Century; which Manor, purchas'd not long since by Sir *Joseph Tredenham*, Kt. of the Family of the *Vivians*, is enjoy'd by his Relict the Lady *Tredenham*, who is Tenant for Life, and Lady of the Leet; after whose Decease, it descends to *Francis Scobell*, Esq; or his Heirs, on Account of his Marriage with the Daughter of the late Sir *Joseph Tredenham*, who dy'd about ten Years ago. As to Election of Members of Parliament, this Town never

Pryn's
Brev. Parl.
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tracted
from the
Commons
Journal.

never sent any 'till the Year 1562, in the
Parliament held by Prorogation, January
22, Anno 5. Eliz. In which Session Burgeses
being return'd for St. Jermynes and Mawes
in Cornwall, Mr. Speaker declar'd in the
House, that the Lord Steward agreed they
should resort unto the House, and with conve-
nient Speed to shew their Letters-Patents, why
they be return'd in this Parliament. But
they were no farther question'd; and these
Towns have accordingly sent ever since, the
Queen's Inclinations, as already spoken of
in *Eastlow*, being well understood. The re-
turning Officer is the Portreve, or Mayor,
who, with the free and sworn Tenants are
the Electors, in Number about thirty or forty.
I have not seen that this Place was
ever incorporated, or had a Market or Fair.
In which Particular, or any other relating
to this Town, wherein I am imperfect, I
hope I may be pardon'd, since there being
more Towns of this Name in Cornwall, it
may puzzle the greatest Pretender to Anti-
quities, unacquainted in this Country, to di-
stinguish them; as well as discourage an indif-
ferent Person, disappointed, in receiving any
Satisfaction from his repeated Inquiries, who
notwithstanding his importunate Requests to
be inform'd of this Place, has been able to learn
no more than this, "That the Inhabitants
"depend wholly on Fishing, and that their
"Constitution and Government is compos'd
"of a Portreve and Jury. The Portreve
"chooses two Elizers, they twenty two more
"Jurors, these twenty four; and the Port-
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"reve, with the free and sworn Tenants,
 "elect the Members of Parliament. The
 "Portreve, or Bailiff, they call a Mayor.
 "A free Tenant is he, who hath Land of
 "his own within the Manor. Mr. Scobell,
 "the Heir of Tredenham, is Lord here. The
 "Castle was erected at the same Time with
 "Pendennis, over against it, of a lower Situ-
 "ation, and more level to the Water.

ELIZABETH.

- 5 P. at West. Oliver Carmynowe, Esq; Edw. Sexten,
 Gent.
 13 at West. Will. Fleerwood, Esq; Israel Amyce, Gent.
 14 at West. Rowland Hind de Hedfore, (Co. Bucks)
 Gent. Geffry Gate, Gent.
 27 at West. Will. Onslow, Esq; Christopher South-
 ouse, Esq;
 28 at West. Edw. Aylworth, Esq; Will. Hearle, Esq;
 31 at West. Rob. Worsley, Esq; Hen. Goldinge, Gent.
 35 at West. Rob. Carey, Kt. Carew Reynell, Esq;
 39 at West. Michael Vivian, Esq; Ric. Orver, Esq;
 43 at West. Rob. Killigrew, Esq; Ralf Hare, Esq;

JAMES I.

- 1 P. at West. Dudley Carleton, Esq; John Speccot, Esq;
 12 at West.
 18 at West. Edw. Whrightington, Esq; Will. Hock-
 mere, Esq;
 21 at West. John Arundel de Trerice, Esq; William
 Hockmore, Esq;

CHARLES I.

- 1 P. at West. James Fullerton, Kt. Nat. Tomkins, Esq;
 1 at West. Will. Carr, Esq; Hen. Cary, Kt.
 3 at West. Hanibal Vivian, Esq; Tho. Cary, Esq;
 15 at West. George Parry, L. L. D. James Ld Sheffield.

16 P. at West. Ric. Erisey, Esq; Geo. Parry, L. L. D.
Will. Priestly, Esq;

CHARLES II.

12 P. at West. Will. Tredenham, Esq; Arthur Spry, Esq; John Clobery, Esq; } Double Return.

* In his Place, deceased, Jos. Tredenham, Kt.

13 at West. * Will. Tredenham, Kt. Arthur Spry, Esq;
31 at West. Sidney Godolphin, Esq; Hen. Seymour, jun. Esq;
31 at West. Jos. Tredenham, Kt. Hen. Seymour, jun. Esq;
31 at Oxford, Jos. Tredenham, Kt. Hen. Seymour, jun. Esq;

JAMES II.

‡ In his Place, chose for Totness

John Tredenham, Esq;

* In his Place, deceased, Hen. Portman, alias Seymour, Esq;

† In his Place, deceased, John Tredenham, Esq;

|| In his Place, deceased, John Antis, Esq;

1 P. at West. Henry Seymour, jun. Esq; Peter Prideaux, Esq;

WILLIAM & MARY.

1 P. at West. Jos. Tredenham, Kt. Hen. Seymour, Esq;
2 at West. Jos. Tredenham, Kt. ‡ Hen. Seymour, Esq;

WILLIAM III.

7 P. at West. John Tredenham, Esq; * Seymour Tredenham, Esq;

10 at West. Jos. Tredenham, Kt. John Tredenham, Esq;

12 at West. Jos. Tredenham, Kt. John Tredenham, Esq;

13 at West. Jos. Tredenham, Kt. John Tredenham, Esq;

ANNE.

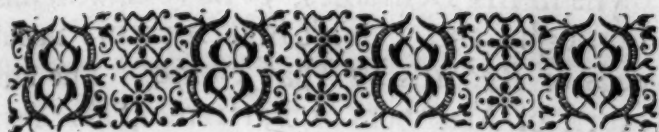
1 P. at West. Jos. Tredenham, Kt. John Tredenham, Esq;

4 at West. ‡ Jos. Tredenham, Kt. Fra. Godfrey, Esq;

7 at West. Fra. Godfrey, Esq; John Tredenham, Esq;

9 at West. Ric. Onslow, Bart. || John Tredenham, Esq;

12 at West. Edw. Rolt, Esq; Francis Scobell, Esq;



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THE first Mention I have met with of this Place, is in the Reign of *Henry III.*, when that King granted to *Reginald de Ferrers*, and his Heirs, a Mar-

Rot. Cart.

Anno 52

Hen. III.

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ket at his Manor of *Calweton*, Co. *Cornwall*, every *Wednesday*, and a Fair annually, viz. on the Eve, Day, and Morrow of the *Nativity of the blessed Mary*; which Festival, being on the 8th of *September*, it is here kept on the Anniversary of the Dedication of the Chapel in this Town, which is a Daughter-Church (as they term it in this Country) to the Parish of *Southill*, distant about two Miles. When this Family of *Ferrers* were first possess'd of this Manor, I have not seen; but by the hereafter mention'd Grant, now in the Possession of my honour'd Friend *Sam. Rolle, Esq;* this Town seems to have been first leas'd to them by *Richard* Earl of *Cornwall*, the said King *Henry* the III'd's Brother; who, may be presum'd, by imprivileging other

Ex Eviden.
& Cart.
penes Sam.
Rolle, Ar.

Towns in his Demesnes, to have created this a Borough; tho' I don't find it occurs in old Deeds or Records by that Name, The first Return of Members of Parliament, is *Anno* 27 *Eliz.* it being the last *Cornish* Town call'd upon to send Representatives; and so 'tis accordingly plac'd after the rest; though for Buildings and Wealth, it is not inferior to the better half of them, It contains above one hundred and fifty Houses, and near as many Electors; every Man who is a Householder, and hath liv'd here a Year, being entitled to a Vote. The Returning Officer is stil'd the Portreve, by Prescription; for the Inhabitants have no Charter of Incorporation. That they derive their Privileges from the Earls of *Cornwall*, may be presum'd from this Deed of Confirmation, *temp. Edw. III.* (which I abstracted from the Writings of my aforesaid worthy Friend, who courteously indulg'd me the Perusal of those Deeds he had in Town, tho' he could give me no Account of the Borough, or how deriv'd to his Ancestors.) " The King recites his eldest Son *Edward*, the Duke of *Cornwall's* Grant, setting forth, that *Reginald de Ferrers* was seiz'd in Demesne, as of Fee, of the Vill of *Calvington*; that he held the same of the Earls of *Cornwall* for the Time being; and that he enfeoff'd certain Persons of Lands there, in Fee Simple; that *Nicholas*, Son of the said *Reginald*, who held the same, enfeoff'd others of the Premises; And whereas they were alienated contrary to Law, he had seiz'd the Servi-

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ces of the said Tenants into his own Hands.
 Now, he inclining to favour the said *John*
Ferrers, bestows to him the Services of the
 said Tenants, as Parcel of the Vill of
Calington, to hold the same by such Servi-
 ces as *Reginald de Ferrers* did before the
 Enfeoffment, dated *Feb. 20. Anno 13. Edw.*
 III. Which Premises the King, by this
 Grant, confirms to the said *John Ferrers*,
 dated *May 4, Anno 15, Edw. III.* From
 this Family of *Ferrers*, this Manor came by
 Marriage to *Sir Alex. Champernoun, Kt.* with
Joan, Daughter and Heir unto *Martin Fer-*
rers, who left Issue a Son, nam'd *Robert*.
Champernoun; whose Daughter and Heir
Blanch, by Match with *Sir Robert Willoughb-*
by, Lord *Brook*, brought this Manor into
 that noble Family. This *Sir Robert*, by his
 Testament, dated *Aug. 19. Anno 1502, 17* *Dugd. Bar.*
Henry VII, bequeath'd his Body to be bury'd *Vol. 2. p.*
 in that Church, where he should happen to *88.*
 die; and soon after departed this Life, as I
 presume, at *Newton Ferrers*, heretofore a
 Seat of this Family, lying very near this
 Town, now in the Possession of *Sir John Co-*
ryton, Bart. and, as I suppose, was bury'd in the
 Church of *Calington*, there being a Monu-
 ment therein, said by the Parishioners to
 belong to *Robert Willoughby*, Lord *Brook*. It
 stands in a Chapel, on the North Side of the
 Chancel, on which is the Portraiture of a
 Knight of the Garter, lying in full Proporti-
 on, in Armour, with an Escutcheon of Arms
 quarterly, being the same as those given us
 in *Ashmole's History of the Garter*, of this
 Sir

Dugd. Bar.
Vol. 2. p.
 88.

Sir Robert Willoughby, Lord Brook, install'd in that Honour by Henry VII. To this Robert succeeded his Son and Heir of the same Name, who dy'd of the sweating Sickneſs Anno 13 Henry VIII; and by his Will, which I have ſeen, appointed his Body to be bury'd in the Savoy Hoſpital, tho' he was interr'd in the Church of Bere Ferrers in this Neighbourhood, as my Author ſays. He left Iſſue two Daughters, Elizabeth, marry'd to John Paulet, Marqueſs of Wincheſter, and Anne, to Charles Blount, Son and Heir to William, Lord Mountjoy; to the former of which Family, I preſume, this Manor came, on Partition of Lands, as Bere Ferrers did to the Lord Mountjoy; and ſo deſcended by Marriage to the Rolles in King James the Iſt's Time, by Anne, Daughter and Heir of Sir Thomas Dennis, and Anne his Wife, Daughter of William Paulet, Marquis of Wincheſter, Wife to Sir Henry Rolle of Stevenſton, Co. Devon, Anceſtor to the preſent Lord of this Manor and Borough, Sam. Rolle, Eſq; afore-mention'd; at whoſe Court-Leet the Portreve is annually choſen, and the Inhabitants, who have liv'd here a Twelve-month in the Borough, admitted Burgeſſes by Cuſtom, which gives them a Right to vote at Elections of Members of Parliament. Here is in this Town a good Market-Houſe, and a neat Church, or Chapel, of St. Mary; in ſome of the Windows are the Arms of Champernoun, &c. The preſent Fabrick was in a great Meaſure rebuilt by the Piety of Nicolas de Aſhton, created Serjeant at Law, Anno 1443,

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21 *Hen. VI*, who lies bury'd in this Chancel, under an ancient Marble, whereon are the Portraitures of himself and Wife in Brass; under him five Sons, and under her six Daughters; and round the Verge an Inscription, telling the Time of his Death, which was the 10th of *March* 1465. At their Feet are twelve Verses, of which only these two to our Purpose.

*Hancque ruinosam in qua Facet ipse Capellam
Sustulit ex propriis Sumptibus atque Opibus.*

Over the Woman are these Arms, *three Cups cover'd*; but those over the Man are gone.

ELIZABETH.

- 27 *P.* at West. Tho. Lawton, Esq; Tho. Harris, Esq;
- 28 at West. Edw. Ayleworth, Esq; Will. Herle, Esq;
- 31 at West. Hen. Golding, Gent. Rob. Worsley, Gent.
- 35 at West. Rob. Carew, Kt. Carew Reynel, Esq;
- 39 at West. Hen. Ferrers, Esq; John Egerton, Esq;
- 43 at West. Miles Raynsford, Gent. John Roll, Gent.

JAMES I.

- 1 *P.* at West. Will. Rolle, Kt. Roger Wilbraham, Kt.
- 12 at West.
- 18 at West. Hen. Rolle of Heanton, Esq; Hon. James Lord Wriottesley.
- 21 at West. Edw. Seymour, Kt. & Bart. Hen. Rolle, Esq;

CHARLES I.

- 1 *P.* at West. Ric. Weston, Kt. Tho. Vyes, Esq;
- 1 at West. Clipseus Crew, Kt. John Rolle, Merchant.
- 3 at West. John Rolle, Merchant, William Constable, Bart.

- 15 at West. Sam. Rolle, Kt. Tho. Gardiner, Esq;
 16 at West. Arthur Ingram, Kt. Edw. Lord Clinton.
 Tho. Dacres, Esq;

CHARLES II.

- 12 P. at West. Rob. Rolle, Esq; Edw. Herle, Esq;
 ¶ In his 13 at West. Cyrill Wych, Kt. ¶ Anthony Buller, Esq;
 Place, Sam 31 at West. John Coryton, Bart. Sam. Rolle, Esq;
 Rolle, Esq; 31 at West. Sam. Rolle, Esq;
 32 at Oxford, Will. Coriton, Esq; Ric. Carew, Esq;

JAMES II.

- 1 P. at West. John Coriton, Bart. Will. Coriton, Esq;

WILLIAM & MARY.

- 2 P. at West. John Coriton, Bart. Jonathan Prideaux,
 Esq;
 * In his 2 at West. * John Coriton, Bart. Fra. Fulford, Esq;
 Place, de-

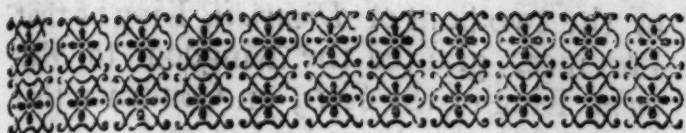
WILLIAM III.

- 7 P. at West. Will. Coryton, Bart. Fra. Gwyn, Esq;
 ¶ In his 10 at West. Will. Coryton, Bart. Fra. Fulford, Esq;
 Place, de- 12 at West. Will. Coryton, Bart. Rob. Rolle, Esq;
 ceas'd, 13 at West. Sam. Rolle, Esq; Rob. Rolle, Esq;
 Will. Co-
 ryton, Et.

ANNE.

- ‡ In his 1 P. at West. Sam. Rolle, Esq; ¶ John Ackland, Esq;
 Place, de- 4 at West. Will. Coryton, Bart. Sam. Rolle, Esq;
 ceas'd, 7 at West. Will. Coryton, Bart. Sam. Rolle, Esq;
 Henry 9 at West. ‡ Will. Coryton, Bart. Sam. Rolle, Esq;
 Manaton, 12 at West. John Coryton, Bart. Sam. Rolle, Esq;
 Esq;

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CUMBERLAND



AD its Name from the Inhabitants, who are said to be the true and genuine *Britains*, call'd, in their own Language, *Kumbri* and *Kambri*, as the learned *Camden* reports; tho'

Camden's Brit. p 819.

his last Editors give us, from *Somner*, another Derivation, and suppose it nam'd from our *English* Word *Cumber*, with Relation to the Lakes and Mountains that encumber it, and make it difficult for Travellers to pass.

Ibidem, p. 840.

In the Time of the *Romans*, its People were term'd the *Brigantes*; and after the *Saxons* gain'd the Power, became subject to the Kingdom of the *Northumbers*; and so continu'd, I presume, 'till the End of the *Hep-tarchy*; after which, *Cumberland* seems to have been a Kingdom of it self. For *Mat-*

thew of Westminster writes, in the Year 946,

Matt. West. Flores Hist. p. 366.

"In the Time of *Edmund*, Brother to *Athel-*
" *stan*, that this King *Edmund*, with the Help
" of *Leoline*, King of *South Wales*, wasted all

A a

" *Cumber-*

*Baker's
Chron. p.
10.*

*Dug. Bar.
Vol. 1 p. 37.*

*Camden's
Brit. p. 138.*

*Tanner's
Notit. Mo-
nast. p. 34.*

"Cumberland; and having put out the Eyes
"of the two Sons of *Dummail*, King of that
"Province, granted the Kingdom to *Mal-*
"colm, King of the *Scots*, on Condition that
"he should assist them by Sea and Land a-
"gainst all Incurfions of his Enemies." But
other of our Historians inform us, that this
County was given to *Malcolm*, in Confide-
ration of his assisting him against the *Danes*
in reducing *Northumberland* to King *Edmund*;
and that the eldest Sons of the Kings of
Scotland, were stil'd Lords and Governors of
Cumberland. However, it is certain it conti-
nu'd in the Hands of that Nation 'till the
Norman Invasion, when it was won from
them by the Conqueror, and by him bestow'd
on *Ranulph de Meschines*; tho' being misera-
bly harafs'd and destroy'd, it was not ra-
ted in *Doomsday-Book*. 'This *Ranulph* resign'd
it to *Henry I*; whose Successor, King *Stephen*,
to ingratiate himself with the *Scots*, restor'd
it again to them. But upon King *Henry* the
II'd's coming to the Crown, it was soon
yeilded to that Prince, at his Demand, by
William King of *Scotland*, who had in Lieu
of it *Huntingdonshire*, which belong'd to him
by ancient Right. In this County, which
is of great Extent, (it being fifty Miles in
Length, and near forty in Breadth) are rec-
kon'd only fifty eight Parishes, besides Cha-
pels of Ease, among which fourteen are said
to be Market-Towns. Before the Reforma-
tion, here were eleven Religious Houses.

As to Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction, before the
Foundation of the Bishoprick of *Carlisle*, temp.
Henry

Henry I, great Part of it was subject to the See of *Durham*, and the rest to *York*; (tho' some Authors affirm, that the whole belong'd, temp. Henry I, to the latter.) Which last Division, subordinate to the Arch-deaconry of *Richmond*, was, on founding an Episcopal See at *Chester*, temp. Henry VIII, together with that whole Arch-deaconry, laid to the new Diocess at *Chester*; whose Bishop claims Jurisdiction over the lower Part of this County, from *Cockermouth* to the Sea Side, and so to *Lancashire*; in which Compass are included near twenty Parishes, being about a third Part of the County.

As to *Roman* Antiquities, this Shire, of all others, sheweth the most; for being, as my *Bloom's Brit. p. 68,* Author says, in the Confines of their Possessions, it was always secur'd by their Garrisons, and defended by that admirable Wall, call'd the *Picts Wall*, first built by *Adrian* the Emperor with Turfs and Stakes; and afterwards much strengthen'd, and continu'd from Sea to Sea, by *Severus* the Emperor; and lastly, in the Declension of the *Roman* Government, for their farther Security against the Incurfion of the barbarous *Picts*, it was rebuilt of Stone, eight Feet broad, and twelve high, extending it self about eighty two Miles over vast Mountains and steep craggy Hills. On it were built Towers, or Watch-houses, at the End of every Mile; some of which, with Part of this Wall, are yet to be distinguish'd, not only in this Shire, but in *Northumberland*, thro' which it ran. Besides, this County being thus frequented

quented with the Roman Legions and Soldiers in the Time of Peace, or after Victories gain'd, occasion'd the raising divers Monuments and Altars, with Inscriptions to the Heathen Gods, many of which are to be seen at this Day; some whereof being specify'd by Draughts in *Camden's Britannia* and *Speed's Maps*, I thall thereto refer; noting farther, that this County, by Reason of its bordering on Scotland, was exceedingly strengthen'd with Castles; for besides its publick ones, which are said to be twenty five in Number, the Houses of the Nobility and Gentry were heretofore generally built like Castles, and so call'd.

*Camden's
Britan. p.
821, &c.*

The Roman Towns and Garrisons I have met with in *Camden*, were; *Morbium*, *Moreby*, *Volantium*, *Elneborough*, *Arbia*, *Ferby*, *Castra Exploratorum*, *Old Carlisle*, or, *Burgh on the Lands*, *Luguvallum*, *Carlisle*, *Blatum-Bulgium*, *Bullness*, *Olena*, *Linstock*, *Bremeturacum*, *Brampton*, *Congavata*, *Rose-Castle*, *Alone*, *Whitley-Castle*, *Petriana*, *Old Perith*, call'd, in *Gale*, *Voreda*, who makes *Drumburgh-Castle*, in this County, the old Roman *Rumabo*, tho' he omits several of the above-mention'd Places; as does *Burton*, in his Commentary on *Antoninus*, who rather places *Bremeturacum* at *Overburrow* in *Lancashire*, to which it much better agrees; tho' he is wrong as to fixing *Gallatum*, *Whelp-Castle*, in this County, that being in *Westmoreland*.

Lastly, as to Boroughs and Corporations, tho' there are none, as I find, of the latter, except *Carlisle*; yet, with Respect to the former,

mer, besides *Carlisle* and *Cockermouth*, two other Places were privileg'd with that Title, viz. *Skinburgh*, or *Skynburnes*, a Town lying near *Holme-Cultram*, and belonging formerly to the Abbot of that Place; to whom King *Edward I.* by Charter dated at *Lincoln*, Feb. 12, 1295, and in the 24th Year of his Reign, granted, "That the Vill of *Skyn-* R. Cart. An. 29. E. 1. n. 43.
burgh, within the Bounds of the Isle of *Holme-Cultram*, should be a free Borough, and the Inhabitants, the Abbot's Tenants, should be free Burgessees; and that they should have a Weekly Market on every Saturday, and a Fair on the Nativity of St. *John Baptist*, viz. the 24th of *June*.

As to the other Borough, which was *Egremond*; a Place rais'd, no Doubt, before this Reign, to that Dignity, by the Interest of its Lords, who were the same with *Cockermouth*, it sent once Members, viz.

EDWARD I.

23 P. at West. Will. de Gillin, Alex. Fitz-Richard.

At which Time *Cockermouth* was likewise represented; tho' neither of these Places were ever after summon'd, nor Members sent for any other Town in this County, except *Carlisle*, till the Year 1640, when *Cockermouth* was reviv'd, as perhaps *Egremond* would have been, if it had been then insisted on, tho' 'tis an inconsiderable Town, as most in this County are; the chief of which is *Perith*, adorn'd with a good Church, and, by *Henry VIII.* honour'd with the Title of a Suffragan-Bishop,

Touching

Dug. Bar.
Vol. 1. p.
334.

ib. p. 345.

ib. p. 346.

ib. Vol. 2.
p. 471.

Dale's Ca-
tal. of the
Nobility,
p. 4.

Frym's
Parl. Writs,
Vol. 4.

Touching the Earls, &c. of this Shire, the first that occurs, is *Henry Lord Clifford*, created Earl of *Cumberland* June 18, 1525, 17 *Henry VIII*; to whom succeeded *Henry* his Son, Anno 1542, who, departing this Life January 8, Anno 1569, left Issue *George*. He dying October 30, Anno 1605, and leaving only a Daughter, this Honour came to his Brother *Francis*; on whose Death Anno 1641, *Henry*, his Son, succeeded; upon whose Decease, which happen'd Decem. 11, 1643, the Title, for Want of Issue Male, became extinct. Soon after which, King *Charles* the 1st, by Letters Patent dated January 24, in the same Year 1643, advanc'd his Nephew, Prince *Rupert*, to the Title of Duke hereof; who dying Novemb. 29, 1682, it lay extinct 'till April 6, 1689, when the most Illustrious Prince *George*, espous'd to our late pious and good Queen *Anne*, was created Duke of *Cumberland*, &c. with Precedency of all Dukes, by Act of Parliament April 9, 1 Will. & Mary. This noble Person, to the unspeakable Grief of the Nation, and his Royal Consort, departed this Life Oct. 28, 1708; since when, this Honour has not been conferr'd on any other Person.

The Number of Days Expences for the Knights, &c. of this Shire, going to, and returning from, Places where the Parliaments were anciently held, are as follows:

At *Cambridge* 6 Days, *Coventry* 6, *Tork* 4, *Gloucester* 7 and 8, *Leicester* 7 and 8, *Lincoln* 5, *London* and *Westminster* 7, 8 and 9 in great Snow, *Northampton* 6, *Salisbury* 10, *Winchester* 8.

E D.

EDWARD I.

- 18 P. at West. Walter de Mulcastre, Herbert de Multon,
Will. de Boyvill.
23 at West. Rob. de Haverington, Hubert de Multon.
25 at Lond. Rob. de Wittering, Will. de Boyvill.
28 at Lond. Ric. de Slater, Rob. de Wittering.
29 at Linc. John de Wyggetton, Rob. de Tilliot.
30 at West. Rob. de Soneby, Nic. de Apresley.
34 at West. John de Lucy, Will. de Bampton.
35 at Carlisle, John de Denton, Will. de Lanrigg.

EDWARD II.

- 2 P. at Northton. Will. de Brun, Alex. de Bastenhuett.
2 at West. Will. de Mulcaster, Alex. de Bastenhuett.
4 at Lond. Rob. de Leyburne, Walter de Bampton.
5 at West. Will. de Mulcaster, Hen. de Multon.
6 at Lond. Rob. de Leyburn, Walter de Bampton.
6 at West. Andrew de Hartha, Alan de Grynneale.
8 at West. Rob. de Tilliole, Hen. de Multon.
9 Council at West. Alexander de Bastingthwair, Walter
de Kyrkbird,
10 Council at Linc. Rob. le Brume, John de Skelton.
12 P. at York, Rob. de Leyburn, Alex. de Bastenthwayt.
12 at York, John de Boyvill, Adam de Skelton.
17 at West. Hugh de Louthre, John de Orreton.
18 at Lond. Ric. de Denton, John de Skelton.
19 at West. Rob. de Mulcaster, Rob. Parnynk.
20 at West. Rob. le Brunn, John de Orreton.

EDWARD III.

- 1 P. at West. Rob. le Brunn, John de Orreton.
1 at Linc. John de Orreton, Rob. Parnings.
1 at York, Peter Tilliol, Rob. Parnyngs.
2 at York, Peter de Tilliol, John de Skelton.
2 at Northton. Rob. de Eglesfeld, Ric. de Salkeld.
2 at York, Peter de Tilliol, Rob. Parnyng.
4 at West. Peter Tilliol, John de Orreton.
4 at Winch. John de Orreton, Tho. de Hardegill.
5 at West. Ric. de Denton, Rob. Parnyng.
6 at West. Ric. de Denton, John de Haverington.

- 6 P. at West. Ric. de Denton, Rob. Parnings.
 6 at West. Peter de Tillioll, Ric. de Denton.
 7 at York, Peter de Tillioll, Ric. de Denton.
 7 at York, Ric. de Denton, John de Haverington.
 8 at West. Hugh de Moriceby, Will. Lenglys le
 Cofyn.
 8 at York, Ric. de Denton, John de Haverington.
 9 at York, Peter de Tilliol, Ric. de Denton.
 11 at West. Peter de Tilliol, Ric. de Denton.
 11 Council at West. Ric. de Denton, Hugh de Moriceby.
 11 P. at West. John de Orreton, Tho. de Skelton.
 12 Council at Northton. Tho. de Hardegill, Ric. de Berys.
 12 P. at West. John de Royvill, Adam de Skelton.
 13 at West. Peter de Tilliol, John de Haverington.
 13 at West. John de Orreton, John de Haverington.
 14 at West. Alex. de Bastenthwait, Rob. le Broun.
 14 at West. Peter de Tilliol, John de Orreton.
 14 at West. John de Orreton, John de Haverington.
 15 at West. Peter de Tilliol, Hugh de Louthre.
 17 at West. Ric. de Denton, John de Orreton.
 18 at West. Hugh de Louthre, Hen. de Malton.
 22 at West. John de Orreton, Tho. de Hardegill.
 23 at West. Peter de Tilliol, John de Orreton.
 24 at West. Ric. de Denton, John de Orreton.
 26 at West. Ric. de Denton, Rob. de Tilliol.
 26 Council at West. Hen. de Malton.
 27 Council at West. Ric. de Denton.
 28 P. at West. Tho. de Rokeby le Cofyn, Tho. de Har-
 degill.
 29 at West. Ric. de Denton, John de Orreton.
 31 at West. John de Orreton, Rob. de Tilliol.
 31 at West. Rob. Tilliol, Adam Parnyng.
 34 at West. John de Orreton, Christop. de Moriceby.
 34 at West. Hen. de Malton, Kr. Rob. de Tilliol.
 36 at West. Rob. Tylliol, Will. Lenglish.
 37 at West. Will. Lengleys, Christopher Moriceby.
 38 at West. Ric. de Tilliol, Will. Engleis.
 39 at West. Christoph. Moriceby, Will. de Stapelton.
 42 at West. John de Pykeryng, John de Denton.
 43 at West. Will. Lengleys, Ric. Moubray.
 45 at West. Rob. Curwenne, Will. de Stapilton.
 45 Council at Winchester, Gilbert de Curwenne.
 46 P. at West. Rob. Moubray, John de Denton.
 47 at West. Gilbert de Curwen, Adam Parnyng.

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- 47 P. at West. Gilbert de Curwen, John de Gamberton.
 50 at West. Gilbert de Curwen, *Chr.* Will. Stapelton.
 51 at West. John de Denton, Amand Monceaux.

RICHARD II.

- 1 P. at West. Rob. Moubray, *Chr.* Ric. del Sandes.
 2 at Gloucester, Peter Tilliol, Clement de Skelton.
 2 at West. John de Derwentwatre, *Chr.* Thomas de Whittrigg.
 3 at West. Ric. de Moubray, *Chr.* Will. de Curwen.
 4 at Northton. Peter Tilliol, Will. de Huton.
 5 at West. Gilbert de Curwen, John de Denton.
 5 at West. Ric. de Salkeld, John Dalmore.
 6 at West. Clement de Skelton, *Chr.* Tho. Bower.
 6 at West. Clement de Skelton, *Chr.* Tho de Dalston.
 7 at West. Tho. Blakensop, Amand Monceaux.
 7 at New Sarum, John de Kirkeby, John de Bronham.
 8 at West. Tho. de Lamplegh, John de Ireby.
 9 at West. Peter Tilliol, *Chr.* Ric. de Beuleu.
 10 at West. Amand Monceaux, John de Thirvall.
 11 at West. John Derwentwater, *Chr.* John de Irby.
 12 at Camb. Rob. de Mulcastre, *Chr.* Amand Monceaux.
 13 at West. Will. de Threlkeld, *Chr.* Amand Monceaux.
 14 at West. Will. de Stapelton, Tho. del Sandes.
 15 at West. Peter Tilliol, *Chr.* John de Loweyer.
 16 at Winch. Geffry Tilliol, Will. de Louthier.
 17 at West. Clement de Skelton, *Chr.* Rob. de Louthre.
 18 at West. Will. de Stapilton, Tho. del Sandes.
 20 at West. John de Ireby, Clement de Skelton.
 21 at West. Peter Tyllioll, Will. de Osmunderlowe.

HENRY IV.

- 1 P. at West. Will. de Legh, *Chr.* Rowland Vaux, *Chr.*
 2 at West. Rob. de Lourther, Will. de Stapilton.
 3 at West. Will. de Legh, John de Skelton.
 5 at West. Rob. de Lowther, *Chr.* Will. de Lowther, *Chr.*
 6 at Coventry, John de la More, *Chr.* William de Bewlieu, *Chr.*
 8 at West. Rob. de Lowther, John de Skelton.
 9 at Glouc. Will. Stapilton, Will. Dalmore.

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HENRY V.

- 1 P. at West. Peter Tillioll, Chr. Will. Beaulieu.
- 2 at Leic. Rob. de Louthre, Chr. Will. del Legh, Chr.
- 2 at West. Christopher de Curwen, John de Eglefeild.
- 5 at West. Peter Tillioll, Rob. de Louthre.
- 8 at West. Peter Tillioll, Chr. Tho. de la Mare.
- 9 at West. Peter Tillioll, Chr. Nic. Radclyff, Chr.

HENRY VI.

- 1 P. at West. Peter Tillioll, Chr. John Skelton, Chr.
- 2 at West. Christopher Curwen, Will. de Legh.
- 3 at West. Peter Tillioll, Christopher Curwen.
- 4 at Leic. Peter Tillioll, Hugh de Lowther.
- 6 at West. Christopher Curwen, Nicolas Radclyff.
- 8 at West. Tho. Parr, Tho. de la More.
- 9 at West. Christoph. Curwen, Chr. Hugh de Lowther.
- 13 at West. Tho. Curwen, Esq; Will. Dykes.
- 15 at Camb. Will. Stapilton, John Broughton.
- 20 at West. Ralf de Dacre, Tho. Curwen.
- 25 at Camb. John Pennington, Will. Martindale.
- 27 at West. Tho. Curwen, Hugh Lowther.
- 28 at West. John Skelton, Ric. Bellingham.
- 29 at West. Tho. de la More, Tho. Crakenthorp.
- 33 at West. Tho. Colt, Tho. de la More, Esq;
- 38 at West. Tho. Curwen, Kt. Will. Leigh, Esq;

EDWARD IV.

- 7 P. at West. John Hudleston, Ric. Salkeld.
- 12 at West. John Parr, Kt. Ric. Salkeld.
- 17 at West. Will. Parr, Kt. James Moresby.

The Writs, Indentures, and Returns, from
 17 Edward IV to 1 Edward VI, are all lost,
 except one imperfect Bundle, Anno 33 Hen.
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EDWARD VI.

- 1 P. at West. Tho. Wharton, Kt. Ric. Musgrave, Esq;
6 at West. Ric. Musgrave, Kt. Hen. Curwen, Esq;

II MARY.

- 1 P. at West. Tho. Wharton, Kt. Tho. Dacres, jun. Kt.
1 at Oxf. John Leigh, Esq; Rob. Penruddock, Esq;

PHILIP & MARY.

- 1 & 2 P. at West. . . . Esq; Rob. Penruddock, Esq;
2 & 3 at West. Tho. . . . Henry Metuen, Esq;
3 & 4 at West. Leonard Dacres, Esq; John Dalfon, Esq;

ELIZABETH.

- 1 P. at West. Leonard Dacres, Esq; Hen Curwen, Esq;
5 at West. Leonard Dacres, Esq; Leonard Curwen, Esq;
13 at West. Hen. Percy, Kt. Simon Musgrave, Kt.
14 at West. Simon Musgrave, Kt. Edw. Scroop, Esq;
27 at West. Tho. Scroop, Esq; Tho. Bowes, Esq;
28 at West. Rob. Bowes, Esq; *Treasurer of Berwick*,
Hen. Leigh, Esq;
31 at West. Tho. Scroop, Kt. Rob. Bowes, Esq;
35 at West. Nic. Curwen, Wilfrid Lawfon, Esq;
39 at West. John Pennington, Kt. Christopher Pickering, Kt.
43 at West. William Huddleston, Esq; Gerrard Lowther, Esq;

JAMES I.

- 1 P. at West. Wilfrid Lawfon, Edw. Musgrave, Esqs;
12 at West.
18 at West. George Dalfon, Kt. Hen. Curwen, Kt.
21 at West. George Dalfon, Kt. Ferdinand Huddleston, Esq;

CHARLES I.

- 1 P. at West. Geo. Dalfon, Kt. Patrick Curwen, Esq;
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- 1 P. at West. Geo. Dalston, Kt. Patrick Curwen, Esq;
 3 at West. Geo. Dalston, Kt. Patrick Curwen, Esq;
 15 at West. Geo. Dalston, Kt. Patrick Curwen, Esq;
 16 at West. Geo. Dalston, Kt. Patrick Curwen, Esq;
 Will. Ermyn, Esq; Ric. Tolson, Esq;

CHARLES II.

- 12 P. at West. Charles Lord Howard, Wilfrid Lawson, Esq;
 * In his 13 at West. * Patrick Curwen, Geo. Fletcher, Barts.
 Place John 31 at West. John Lowther of Whitehaven, Bart. Ric.
 Lowther, Lamplugh, Esq;
 15 31 at West. Edw. Lord Morpeth, John Lowther, Bart.
 15 32 at Oxford, Geo. Fletcher, John Lowther, Barts.

JAMES II.

- 1 P. at West. Richard Viscount Preston, John Lowther
 of Whitehaven, Bart.

WILLIAM & MARY.

- 1 P. at West. George Fletcher, Bart. John Lowther of
 Whitehaven, Bart.
 2 at West. George Fletcher, Bart. John Lowther of
 Whitehaven, Bart.

WILLIAM III.

- 7 P. at West. Geo. Fletcher, Bart. John Lowther, Bart.
 10 at West. Geo. Fletcher, Bart. John Lowther, Bart.
 12 at West. Ric. Musgrave, Esq; Jeffrey Lawson, Esq;
 13 at West. Edw. Hasel, Kt. George Fletcher, Esq;

ANNE.

- 1 P. at West. Ric. Musgrave, Esq; Gilfrid Lawson, Esq;
 4 at West. Geo. Fletcher, Esq; Ric. Musgrave, Esq;
 7 at West. James Lowther, Esq; Gilfrid Lawson, Esq;
 9 at West. James Lowther, Esq; Gilfrid Lawson, Esq;
 12 at West. James Lowther, Esq; Gilfrid Lawson, Esq;

CITY



CITY OF CARLISLE



IS pleasantly situated upon the Banks of the River *Eden*, Ituna of *Ptolomy*, in a fruitful Vale, at a small Distance from *Solway-Frith*, an Arm of the *Irish Sea*, and about seven Miles from *Greatney*, the nearest Part of *Scotland*. The *British* Chronicles mention it as a Place of Note long before the coming in of the *Romans*. According to their Evidence, it was founded by a petty King of the County, nam'd *Luel*, or *Lugubal*; and, upon that Account, had the Name of *Caerluel*, or *Lugubal*; *Caer* in the *British* Language signifying a City, or considerable Town.

*Leland's
Collectanea, Vol. 3.
p. 19.*

When the *Roman* Legions, in the Time of the Emperor *Claudius*, extended their Conquests so far *Northward*, they retain'd the Name of the Place with very little Alteration, calling it *Luguvallio*, or *Luguvallium*, as it is set down in *Antoninus's Itinerary*. That

*Anton. Itin. Brit.
p. 37.*

it

Camden's
Brit. p. 833.

it was a Roman Station, or Garrison, not only the Nearness to the *Caledonians*, and its Situation upon the *Vallum Severi*; but also several Roman Altars and Inscriptions, which have been digg'd up here, make evident. Mr. *Camden* mentions one discover'd in the *Saxon Times*, inscrib'd MARTI VICTORI, or MARII VICTORIÆ; and within these few Years, in digging a Cellar five or six Yards below the Surface of the Street, a large red Stone was found, with these Words plainly inscrib'd, DEO MARTI BELATVCADRO. This *Belatucadrus* seems to have been a peculiar local Deity, perhaps the same with *Belus* of the *Assyrians*, and worshipp'd in these Parts by some Division, or Legion, of the *Roman Auxiliaries*. Two or three Altars, inscrib'd to him, have been found in this Country, and (so far as appears) such as are in no other Part of the World besides.

Goodwin of
Bishops, p.
674.

Upon the Recess of the *Romans*, this City was ruin'd by the Incurfions of the *Caledonians*, and other barbarous Northern Nations, and lay bury'd in its Ruins for a long Time 'till about the Year of Christ 680, *Egfrid*, King of *Northumberland*, rebuilt and encompass'd it with a Wall of Stone, repair'd the Church, and piously took Care of the Affairs of Religion, (which had been plant'd here before) placing here a College of Secular Priests. Soon after, this religious Prince gave to *St. Cuthbert*, Bishop of *Lancaster*, and his Successors, the City of *Carlisle*, with fifteen Miles round; which they seem

seem to have enjoy'd for some Successions. St. *Cuthbert* visiting his new Donation Anno 686, was receiv'd with all Respect; and while he staid here, the Concerns of the Church were regulated, a Free-School, and a Nunnery, built within the City; of which *Ermenberga*, the Queen-Dowager of Northumberland, was made the first Lady-Abbess. *Simon Duneilm. Lib. 2: p. 58.*

In the eighth and ninth Centuries, the whole Country was ruin'd by the repeated Incurfions of the *Danes* and *Norwegians*, and this City laid almost desolate, and its Inhabitants destroy'd, some few Ecclesiasticks and Citizens only excepted. Soon after the Norman Invasion, viz. Anno 1066, William the Conqueror issu'd out his Writ to the Inhabitants of *Carlisle* and *Cumberland*, commanding them to be subject to the Bishop of *Durham*, as their Diocesan, from whose Predecessors they had receiv'd Christianity. And in the next Reign, William Rufus, Anno 1094, (the *Chronicon Saxonicum* makes it 1092) after he had concluded a Peace with the Scots, made a Visit to *Carlisle*; and being pleas'd with the Situation, order'd the Walls and Castle to be repair'd; and because the Nunnery before-mention'd was too near the Cathedral Church, he remov'd it to *Armathwait*, or *Hermitethwait*, about seven or eight Miles off, leaving behind him one *Walter*, a Norman, to execute his Intentions; who, being very rich, purchas'd the Manors of *Lindstock* and *Carlton*, and gave them to the College of Secular Canons; of which he afterwards became Head. These being chang'd into

*Leland's
Collectanea
Vol. 3. p.
200.*

*Chron. Sax.
p. 198.*

into *Augustine* Monks soon after, this *Walter* seems to have been the first Prior before the Foundation of the Bishoprick by *Henry I.*, when *Adelwald*, or *Ethelwold*, was (as *Goodwin* says) made the first Bishop; tho', according to *Leland*, the aforesaid *Walter*, (a Priest of *Normandy*, Founder of this Monastery of Canons) was so constituted by *William Rufus*. However, if that King intended this, it was not well effected 'till the Year 1130, (30 *Henry I.*) about ten Years after this Prince had order'd *Carlisle* to be fortify'd. In which Respect it has several Times been strengthen'd, on Account of its being a Frontier Town against the *Scots*; divers of whose Kings have laid Siege to it, and took it, (as *Alexander*, King of the *Scots*, in King *John's* Time) from whom it has been constantly recover'd by the *English*, who commonly plac'd Soldiers here for a Defence of the City and whole Country: And to repair all its Losses and Misfortunes, almost all the Kings of *England*, from the Conquest, to King *James* the 1st's Time, have been Benefactors to this City; as appears by Charters. To instance in some of which; in the fifth Year of *Richard* the 1st's Reign, the *Burgeses* of *Carlisle* accounted for ten Marks for having their Liberties; and 21 *Henry III.*, gave a like Sum for a Coroner of their own; and in *Edward* the 1st's Time, that Prince held here a Parliament, in the 35th Year of his Reign and repair'd the Castle and Walls; to which *Edward II.* made some additional Buildings and in the ninth Year of his Reign committed

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Vol. 1. p.
120.

Ib. Vol. 3.
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Ib. p. 229.

Ib. Vol. 2.
p. 532.

Madox's
Hist. of the
Exchequer,
p. 274.

Ib. p. 190.

mitted the Custody of this City to the Citizens, ^{R. Cart.}
 and granted them the said City, and Mills be- ^{An. 9. E.}
 longing thereto, and Royalty of Eden Water, in ^{2. m. 3. n. 6.}
 Fee-Farm, at 80 l. per Annum, and Liberty
 of building on the Waste, and to be free from
 Toll; (divers of which Privileges the Mayor
 and Citizens of Carlisle certify'd their Claim
 to in his Father's Reign) and to two Weekly ^{Placita}
 Markets, viz. on Wednesday and Saturday, ^{Jur. &}
 and a yearly Fair on the Assumption of the ^{Affis. apud}
 blessed Mary, for fifteen Days; and to have a ^{Carlisl.}
 Gild Mercatory, Affize of Bread and Beer, Try- ^{A. 20 E. I.}
 al of Felons, &c. To pass by the Charters
 Anno 14 and 26 E. III. 5 and 14 Ric. II, (in
 whose Reign this City was burnt by Mis-
 fortune, and near 1500 Houses destroy'd)
 12 Hen. IV, 13 Hen. VI, (and to come nearer
 our Time) temp. Ric. III, the Walls and Castle
 were well repair'd by that Prince; and a
 strong Citadel being built by Hen. VIII, ad-
 ded much to the Strength thereof: All which
 Buildings were improv'd by Queen Eliza-
 beth. The Citizens, by some of these latter
 Charters, are freed from the Fee-Farm Rent
 payable to the Crown, and enjoy the Fi-
 shery in the River Eden, with large Com-
 mon of Pasture, Rights of Fairs and Mar-
 kets, and many other Immunities, which
 are vested in the Corporation, (in whom is
 the Manor) consisting of a Mayor, twelve Al-
 dermen, two Sheriffs, or Bayliffs, twenty four ca-
 pital Citizens, or Common-Council-Men, and a
 Recorder.

The Representatives in Parliament are
 chosen by Men free of the City, who are

commonly estimated to be five hundred; though, by giving honorary Freedoms, the Number is much increas'd. The Revenues of the City amount to four or five hundred Pounds *per Annum*; and the Number of its Inhabitants, and those of the Suburbs, (where there are very few Houses) is about two thousand.

As to a Description of this Place, there being a Prospect of it in *Speed's Maps*, I may there refer; only setting down here what

Leland's Itin. Vol. 7. p. 48. *Leland* says of it, who tells us, "The Wall is scarce a Mile in Compass; that it is right, fair, and strong, and built of reddish square Stone; that in it are three Gates, *Bocher*, *Caldre*, and *Richard* Gate, otherwise known by the Name of *South*, *West*, and *North* Gates; and likewise call'd *Irish*, *English*, and *Scotch* Gates; that here are two Parish-Churches; of which one, call'd *St. Mary's*, is in the Body of the Cathedral of *Canons Regular*, (which he remarks is in no other Cathedral in *England*) and the other of *St. Cuthbert*, and a Chapel of *St. Alban*, and two Houses of Fryars of White and Black, all within the Walls": Which Chapel, with the Fryery, have been long since demolish'd, tho' the Sites are yet to be distinguish'd. And the same Author informs us, "That *Carlisle* standeth in the Forest of *Ingelwood*; and that in digging, in the City are found divers Foundations of the old Ruins, as Pavements of Streets, old Arches, Doors, Coins, Money hid in Pots, &c. and that in ploughing the adjoining Fields

"Fields, have been discover'd divers Anti-
quities. Since, when, in the Time of *Q. Elizabeth*, in taking up the old Foundations of the Steeple of *St. Cuthbert*, in order to new-build the same, here was found a large Parcel of small Silver Money, to the Quantity of near a Bushel, call'd *St. Cuthbert's Pence*; such as that Bishop, and some of his Successors, Bishops of *Durham*, had a Right and Privilege to coin. These Pieces were suppos'd to have been the Oblations at the building this little Church; which is a Peculiar belonging to the Dean and Chapter; to whose Use the Tithes of the whole City are appropriated; and both the Churches, being only Curacies, are supply'd by two of the Minor Canons at their Nomination. As to the other Parish-Church of *St. Mary*, in the Body of the Cathedral, it was, before the great Rebellion begun *Anno 1541*, a spacious Building, comprehending all the *Western* Part of the Church, from the great Tower, and extending it self in Length 135 Feet. But this being deem'd superfluous by the Abhorrrers of Idols, was, for the most Part, demolish'd, (as the Cloisters and Chapter-House were afterwards, under the Notion of superstitious Buildings, *An. 1656*) and not a third Part left standing for the Parochial Uses; the Materials being thought, by those Godly Reformers, more requisite to establish their wicked Purposes, than to continue employ'd to the Honour of God; wherefore retaining no Regard for the Glory of his House, they converted what of

it they had laid their sacrilegious Hands upon, to the Building of Guard-Houses at every Gate, and erecting two Batteries in the Castle, and a main Guard in the Market-Place; reserving the Remainder to their private Uses, and for building Houses for themselves in the Town; tho' tis observable, that none of the Posterity of the Persons, concern'd in this profane Act, now enjoy them. Having thus spoke of the *Western* Part of the Cathedral, I come now to the *East* Part, or Choir, which was built by Contributions, *temp. Edw. III, Anno 1350*; and is in Length 137 Feet. This, with the great cross Isle, being 28 Feet in Breadth, and that Part of the Parish-Church left standing, which is 43 Feet, makes the whole now remaining 208 Feet. The Dimensions of which are as follows, *viz.* on the *East* of the Cross 137 Feet, Breadth of the Cross 28 Feet; on the *West* of the Cross 43 Feet; which, when the entire *Western* Part was standing, before the Rebellion, when 92 Feet were destroy'd, made the whole Fabrick 300 Feet in Length. The Breadth of the Choir and Isles are 71 Feet; and of the great cross Isle, from *North* to *South*, 124 Feet; and Height of the Tower 123, which had a Spire of Lead upon it of 30 or 40 Feet, before the same was taken down to the square Tower, soon after the Restauration, about the Year 1662, it being, for want of Repair during the Times of Anarchy, become ruinous. As to a particular Description of this Cathedral, the cross Isle, with the

the *Western Part*, is an ancient *Gothick* Structure; but the *Choir*, begun, as aforesaid, about the Year 1350, is a noble and exact Piece of Architecture. It has a stately *East Window* of 48 Feet in Height, and 30 in Breadth, and is adorn'd with Pillars of curious Workmanship. The Roof is elegantly vaulted with Wood, and embellish'd with several Arms; as those of *France* and *England* quarterly, *Piercy* and *Lucy* quarterly, *Warren* and *Mowbray* quarterly, *Mountague* Earl of *Salisbury*, *Mortimer*, *Clifford*, *Graystock*, *Beauchamp*, *Dacres*, *Musgrave*, *Nevill*, *Fitz-Hugh*, *Vaux*, *Harrington*, *Stanley*, with those of the *Isle of Man*, *Curwen*, *Lamplugh*, and *Lowther*. In the *Choir* are Monuments of Bishop *Richard Bell*, the 25th Bishop, formerly Prior of *Durham*, Bishop *Robinson*, and Bishop *Smith*, who are bury'd here; as was Bishop *Barrow*, Bishop *John de Halton*, and Bishop *Gilbert de Welton*, and probably Bishop *Strickland*, who gave the five large Bells in the Steeple; which Number (or the same re-cast) now belong to it. As to the other Bishops, several of them have been bury'd elsewhere; as *Roger Leybourne* in the Hospital of *St. James* near *Charing-Cross*, *Westminster*, and *Robert Aldridge* at *Horn-Castle*, *Co. Linc.* which not being set down in any of our Authors, I here mention.

This Cathedral Church is within the Walls of the City, but separated from it by a Fence of its own. It was anciently (as before observ'd) Collegiate, then made Conventual, and Cathedral, *temp. Henry I.*; and last of all, restor'd to its primitive Condition

dition of a Society of Secular Canons by King Henry VIII. It was at first dedicated to the blessed Virgin *Mary*, as the Parish-Church adjoining now is; but Henry VIII, when he founded the Dean and Chapter, incorporated it under the Title of *Decanus & Capitulum Ecclesie Sacro Sancte & Individua Trinitatis Carliol.* Which Title that King took from the dissolv'd Priory of *Wedderball* near this Place, all the Possessions of which he gave to the Dean and Chapter. This Priory was dissolv'd 31 Hen. VIII, and the College of Dean and Chapter erected soon after; and *Lancelot Salkeld*, the last Prior, was made the first Dean, and continu'd so all Henry the VIIIth's, and Queen *Mary's* Reign; but was ejected temp. *Edw. VI*; and again in Queen *Elizabeth's* Time, while he was ejected, Sir *Thomas Smith*, Secretary of State, was Dean; and, after him, two other Knights, Sir *John Woolley* and Sir *Christopher Parkins*, whose Successors were all Ecclesiasticks; many of whom have been advanc'd to the Episcopal Dignity. The Collegiate Society, according to the Founder's Establishment, consists of a Dean, four Canons, or Prebendaries, eight Minor Canons, a Deacon, a Sub-deacon, four Lay Clerks, one Informator Puerorum in Grammatica, six Choiristers, one Master of the Choiristers, six Alms-Men, a Verger, and two Sub-Sacristis, with other Officers; to all which are certain Allowances, or Stipends, appointed out of the Revenues of the Church. The Deanery is a Donative of the Crown; but the Canon-

ries are, by the Gift of *Philip* and *Mary*, in the Collation of the Bishop of *Carlisle*.

Having thus treated of the Town and Cathedral, I shall conclude my Account with the History of the Earls, the first of whom was *Ranulph* Earl of *Chester*, by some call'd, of *Carlisle*; he began to build the City *An-*^{*Dugd. Bar.*}
^{*Vol. 1. p.*}
^{*36.*}
no 1072, and granted divers Immunities to the Inhabitants thereof. But King *William*, discerning it to be so royal a Town, took it from him, and gave him *Chester* in lieu of it. After which, *David*, Son of *Malcolm III* ^{*Ibid. p. 58.*}
King of *Scotland*, held *Carlisle*, by the Permission of King *Stephen*; tho' I conceive he was not vested with any Title from hence; and perhaps no Person was so before *Andrew* ^{*Ibid. Vol.*}
^{*2. p. 97.*}
de Harcla, Anno 15 *Edw. II*; of whom may be seen a long Account, in the Baronage, of his being created Earl, *March* 25, 1322, and of his being beheaded the 2d of *March* following. After which, *John Plantagenet*, Regent of *France*, third Son of *Henry IV*, and *Richard* Duke of *Gloucester*, Brother to *Edward IV*, and afterwards King of *England*, by the Name of *Richard III*, are said, in some Authors, to have been Earls of *Carlisle*, tho' I believe with little Grounds; and that next after *Andrew de Harcla*, Sir *James Hay*, Kt. a Nobleman of *Scotland*, was honour'd with this Title, by Letters Patent, dated *September* 13, 1622, 20 *Jac. I*; he dy'd *April* 25, 1636, and was succeeded by *James* his Son and Heir; who dying without Issue in *October*, 1660, King *Charles II*, by ^{*Ibidem, p.*}
^{*281.*}
Letters Patent dated *April* 20, 1661, ad-
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vanc'd *Charles Howard* (Son and Heir of Sir *William Howard*, Kt. Son of Sir *Philip Howard*, Son of *William Lord Howard* of *Naworth Castle*, third Son to *Thomas Duke of Norfolk*) to the Title of Baron *Dacres* of *Gillesland*, Viscount *Howard* of *Morpeth*, and Earl of *Carlisle*, whose Grandson now enjoys the same. This noble Family, by the Mother's Side, is descended from *Cospatrick* chief Lord of *Cumberland*, *Westmerland*, and *Northumberland*, who liv'd temp. *Will. I.*, as *Leland* tells us, at *Naworth Castle*, the present Earl's Seat.

Leland's
Itin. Vol. 9.
p. 178.

In *Ramulph's* (Monk of *Chester*) Chronicle, there is Mention made, among the rest of the Shires, of *Carlisle-shire*, in which Tract, I suppose, was included the Land assign'd to the See of *Durham*.

EDWARD I.

- 23 P. at West. Rob. de Greneſdale, Andrew de Seller.
- 30 at Lond. Hen. le Spicer, Andrew Serjeant.
- 33 at West. Rob. de Grineſdale, Alan de Grineſdale.
- 34 at West. Alan de Greneſdale.

EDWARD II.

- 1 P. at Northton. And. Serjeant, Ric. le Hubrichby.
- 2 at West. Will. Fitz Juting, Rob. Grimsdale.
- 4 at West. John de Croſtow, Will. Fitz Henry.
- 5 at Lond. Alan de Grenſdale, Andrew Fitz Peter.
- 5 at West. Alan de Grimsdale, Will. le Taillour.
- 7 at West. Rob. Grimsdale, John Winton.
- 8 at West. Rob. Grimsdale, Bernard Lacatour.
- 12 at York, Rob. Grimsdale, Bernard Pulter.
- 12 at York, Rob. de Grimsdale, Ric. Fitz Ivo.
- 15 at York, John de Wilton, Tho. de Calſton.
- 20 at West. John Flemyng, Nic. le Deſpenſer.

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EDWARD III.

- 1 P. at West. John Flemyng, Rob. de Greneisdale.
- 1 at York, Alan de Grunsdale, John de Capella.
- 2 at West. Rob. Grimisdale, Alan Grimisdale.
- 2 at New Sarum, John de Haverington, Simon de Sandford.
- 2 at York, Rob. Grimisdale, John de Harding.
- 4 at West. John Haverington, Rob. de Gryndon.
- 4 at Winch. John Haverington, Ric. de Skelton.
- 6 at West. John Haverington, Simon Sandford.
- 7 at York, John Fleming, Adam Crofton.
- 8 at West. John de Pikeryng, Hen. Pepir.
- 8 at York, John Flemyng, Adam de Crofton.
- 9 at West. Tho. Hazdull, Tho. Friskington.
- 9 at York, John de Estlington, Tho. Worthfell.
- 11 at West. Tho. de Pardishow, Giles de Orrerton.
- 11 at West. John de Denton, Adam Brighton.
- 12 at West. Tho. de Pardishow, Giles de Orrerton.
- 12 at West. John de Exlington, Tho. de Bardgit.
- 12 at York, Rob. Grimisdale, Will. Fitz Ivo.
- 12 at Northton. Tho. Baron, Tho. de Fresington.
- 14 at West. John Fleming, Adam Crofton.
- 14 at West. Will. Fitz Henry, Hen. le Spicer.
- 15 at West. Tho. Hardgill, John Fleming.
- 17 at West. John Chapel, Will. Chapel.
- 21 at West. Adam Crofton, Rob. Tabay.
- 22 at West. Adam Crofton, Tho. Appelby.
- 24 at West. Rob. Tabay, John de Raghton.
- 29 at West. Will. Arture, Tho. Stamby.
- 31 at West. Tho. de Alaynby, John de Thorneton.
- 34 at West. Tho. Alaynby, Will. Spenser.
- 34 at West. John de Thornton, Adam de Aglconby.
- 36 at West. Will. Artureth, Will. Spenser.
- 37 at West. Adam Halden, Will. Spicer.
- 38 at West. Will. Artureth, Ric. London.
- 39 at West. Ric. Orfeur, Will. Clifton.
- 42 at West. Adam Aglionby, Will. de Clifford.
- 43 at West. Will. Artureth, John de Vaverton.
- 45 Council at Winchester, John de Whirlawe.
- 46 P. at West. Will. Raghton, Will. Carlisle.
- 47 at West. Tho. Tayllur, Ric. Denton.

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- 50 P. at West. Ric. Denton, John de Burgh.
 51 at West. Ric. de Denton, John de Burgh.

RICHARD II.

- 2 P. at Gloucester, Rob. Carlisle, John Levington.
 3 at West. Rob. Carlisle, . . . Parker.
 6 at West. Will. Oufmunderlaw, John Shelton.
 7 at West. Ric. de London, John de Appleby.
 7 at New Sarum, Stephen de Carlisle, Tho. Bolton.
 8 at West. Ric. London, John Glenhasset.
 9 at West. Will. Aglionby, John Glencod.
 10 at West. Adam de Denton, Rob. de Bristow.
 11 at West. Rob. de Carlisle, Will. Aglionby.
 12 at Cambridge, John de Corkeby, Nic. Leucson.
 13 at West. Alan de Kirkbrigg,
 15 at West. John Monteux, Rob. Bristow.
 16 at Winch. John Roddesdale, John de Wek.
 18 at West. John de Brugham, John Mornereux.
 20 at West. John Helton, John Burgham.
 21 at West. Rob. Bristowe, John Bristowe.

HENRY IV.

- 1 P. at West. John Helton, Rob. Bristow.
 3 at West. Tho. Bolton, Rob. Bristow.
 8 at West. Tho. de Darle, Will. Mulcastre.

HENRY V.

- 1 P. at West. Rob. de Carlisle, Ralf Bleverhasset.
 2 at West. Rob. de Carlisle, Will. Cardoyll.
 3 at West. Rob. Lancastre, Will. Bell.
 5 at West. Rob. Carlisle, Will. Cardoyll.
 9 at West. Will. Manchestre, John Thompson.

HENRY VI.

- 1 P. at West. Rob. Cardoyl, Ric. Gray.
 3 at West. *Cedula manca*.
 6 at West. John Helton, Will. Camberton.
 8 at West. Tho. Barwent, Adam Heverington.
 9 at West. Everard Berwick, Rob. Clerk.

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- 11 P. at West. Ric. Briskow, Ric. Bawleke.
- 13 at West. Will. Morthyng, Nic. Thompson.
- 14 at West. Ric. Thornburgh, Rowland Wherton.
- 15 at Cambridge, Rob. Mason, Tho. Marefcall.
- 20 at West. John Blaverhasset, Will. Butiler.
- 25 at West. Tho. Stanlaw, Geo. Walton.
- 27 at West. Rob. Karlill, Ric. Alanfon.
- 28 at West. Ric. Chatterley, Tho. Chatterley.
- 29 at West. Ric. Alanfon, Alvered Maleverer.
- 31 at Reading, John Shelton, Rowland Vaux.
- 33 at West. John Bere, Tho. Derwent.
- 38 at West. Ric. Beverley, Tho. Rukin.

EDWARD IV.

- 7 P. at West. Hen. Denton, Ric. George.
- 12 at West. Rob. Skelton, John Coldale.
- 17 at West.

HENRY VIII.

- 33 P. at West. Will. Stapylton,

EDWARD VI.

- 1 P. at West. Edw. Eglonby, Esq; Tho. Dalston, Esq;
- 6 at West. Edw. Aglionby, jun. John Dudley.

MARY.

- 1 P. at West. John Aglionby, Esq; Simon Bristow, Esq;
- 1 at Oxford, Rob. Whitley, Ric. Mynsho.

PHILIP & MARY.

- 1 & 2 P. at West. Ric. Whitly, Ric. Minsho.
- 2 & 3 at West. Will. Middleton, Will. Warde.
- 4 & 5 at West. Ric. Asheton, Esq; Rob. Dalton, Esq;

ELIZABETH.

- 1 P. at West. Ric. Ashton, Kt. Will. Mulcaster.
- 5 at West. Ric. Ashton, Will. Mulcaster.

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- 13 *P. at West.* Rob. Bowes, Esq; Christopher Musgrave, Gent.
 14 *at West.* Tho. Pattenfon, Tho. Tallentyre, Gents.
 27 *at West.* Edw. Aglionby, Tho. Blaverhassett, Esq;
 28 *at West.* Hen. Mac-Williams, Esq; Tho. Blenverhassett, Esq;
 31 *at West.* Hen. Scroope, Esq; John Dalfon, Esq;
 35 *at West.* Hen. Scroope, Esq; Edw. Aglionby, Esq;
 39 *at West.* Hen. Scroope, Tho. Stamford.
 43 *at West.* Hen. Scroope, Esq; John Dudley, Esq;

JAMES I.

- 1 *P. at West.* Tho. Bleverhassett, Will. Barwick, Esq;
 12 *at West.*
 18 *at West.* Hen. Fane, Kt. Geo. Butler, Esq;
 21 *at West.* Hen. Fane, Kt. Edw. Egliouby, Esq;

CHARLES I.

- 1 *P. at West.* Hen. Fane, Kt. Edw. Egliouby, Esq;
 1 *at West.* Hen. Fane, Kt. Ric. Grahme, Esq;
 3 *at West.* Ric. Barwike, Esq; Ric. Grahme, Esq;
 15 *at West.* Will. Dalfon, Esq; Ric. Barwike, Esq;
 16 *at West.* Will. Dalfon, Kt. & Bart. Ric. Barwike, Esq;
 Tho. Cholmley, Esq;

CHARLES II.

- 11 *P. at West.* Will. Brisoo, Esq; Jeremy Tolhur, Esq;
 13 *at West.* Philip Howard, Kt. Christopher Musgrave, Esq;
 31 *at West.* Philip Howard, Kt. Christopher Musgrave, Esq;
 31 *at West.* Philip Howard, Kt. Christopher Musgrave, Kt.
 32 *at Oxford,* Edward Lord Morpeth, Christoph. Musgrave, Kt.

JAMES II.

- 1 *P. at West.* Christopher Musgrave, Kt. James Graham, Esq;

WILLIAM

WILLIAM & MARY.

- 1 P. at West. Christopher Musgrave, Kt. Jeremiah
Bubb, Esq;
2 at West. † Jeremiah Bubb, Esq; Christopher Musgrave, Esq;

† In his
Place, de-
ceas'd,
William
Lowther,

WILLIAM III.

- 7 P. at West. Will. Howard, Esq; James Lowther, Esq;
10 at West. Will. Howard, Esq; James Lowther, Esq;
12 at West. Phil. Howard, Esq; James Lowther, Esq;
13 at West. Phil. Howard, Esq; James Lowther, Esq;

Esq; in
whose Place
likewise de-
ceas'd,
James
Lowther,
Esq;

ANNE.

- 1 P. at West. Christopher Musgrave, Esq; Tho. Stan-
wix, Esq;
4 at West. Tho. Stanwix, Esq; James Mountague, Kt.
7 at West. Tho. Stanwix, Esq; James Mountague, Kt.
Attorney General.
9 at West. Tho. Stanwix, Esq; James Mountagu, Kt.
12 at West. Christopher Musgrave, Bart. Tho. Stan-
wix, Esq;

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OF

COCKERMOUTH.

Dugd. Bar.
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THIS Town (being an ancient Honour, or Barony) seems, soon after the Conquest, to have been enjoy'd by *Will. de Meschines*, Brother to *Ranulph* Earl of Chester, to whom *Will. I* gave all that Part of *Cumberland* commonly call'd *Coupland*, lying between the Rivers of *Dudene* and *Derwent*, near the latter of which this Borough is situated, upon the River *Coker*, from whence it is denominat'd; which dividing the Town as it were into two Parts, falls into *Derwent*, on the North Side of it. This *William* left Issue a Daughter nam'd *Ciceley*; who, becoming Wife to *Robert de Romely* Lord of *Skipton* in *Craven*, had by him a Daughter nam'd *Alice*, Wife to *Will. Fitz Duncan* Earl of *Murres* in *Scotland*, Nephew to King *Malcolm* which *Alice* being a Benefactrix to the Monks of *Fountains* in *Torkshire*, gave to them (*inter alia*) a Toft in *Cockermouth*; and disposing of her youngest and third Daughter *Alice* in Marriage to *Gilbert Pipard*, (her eldest being marry'd to *Will. le Grosse* Earl of *Albe-*

Albemarle) gave with her the Liberty of *Cockermouth*; but she having no Issue, either by her first Husband, the said *Gilbert Pipard*, or *Robert de Courtney*, whom she marry'd afterwards, *Richard de Lucy*, her Nephew, Son of *Annabil* this *Alice's* second Sister, (who brought to that Family the Honour of *Egremond*) laid Claim to her Lands after her Death, by Virtue of which, *temp. Reg. Johannis*, this *Richard* being possess'd of a Moiety, if not the whole Honour of *Cockermouth*, (*Baldwin* Earl of *Albemarle*, descended from his Mother's other Sister, contending for the other Purparty,) and also seiz'd, in his own Right, of the Honour of *Egremond*, he exercis'd his Power, (as I guess by the Charter of *Egremond* now in being) in erecting these Towns into Boroughs, and granted to them several Immunities. However, if this of *Cockermouth* was not so dignify'd when he gave great Privileges to *Egremond*, yet it is certain it was created a Borough not long after, it returning two Burgeses to Parliament by that Title, *Anno 23 Edw. I.*, when *Egremond* did the same. After this *Richard's* Death, which happen'd about the 15th Year of *K. John*, *Ada*, his Widow, taking to her a second Husband, *Tho. de Multon*, he, the said *Thomas*, procuring the Wardship of her two Daughters *Annabil* and *Alice*, marry'd them to his two Sons, *Lambert de Multon* and *Alan de Multon*, and divided the said *Lucy's* Lands between them; upon Partition of which, a Moyety of *Cockermouth* came to this *Alan's* Share, the other Purparty being yielded to *Will. de Fortibus* Earl of *Albemarle*,

Ibid. p. 634.

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bemarle, (as I find by his Treaty made with that Earl) whose Relict, *Isabell de Fortibus*, together with *Thomas de Moulton*, Son to this *Alan*, (who, in Regard that *Alice*, his Mother, was one of the Daughters and Co-heirs of *Richard de Lucy*, as is before observ'd, assum'd the Name of *Lucy*.) Anno 20 Edw. I. certify'd their Claim to Return of Writs, and a Monday-Market, and a Fair on the Eve and Festival of *St. Michael*, together with Right to a Gallows, Pillory, and Ducking-Stool, with Infangthef, Utsfangthef, and Goods of Felons convict; and to have a Coroner within their Liberty, and to hold Pleas of the Crown; all which, &c. the Jury return, alledging, that the said *Isabell de Fortibus* Countess of *Albemarle*, and *Tho. de Lucy*, had a Right thereto, from their common Ancestor; and *Isabell* and *Thomas* say, that *William*, Son of *Donkan*, dy'd seiz'd of the aforesaid Liberties; from whom they descended to *Cecilia* and *Amabilia*, (or *Annabilla*) their Daughters and Heirs. And then *Cecilia's* Right descended to *Hawisia*, her Daughter and Heir; and so, from the said *Hawisia* to *William de Fortibus* her Son, late Husband of the said *Isabell*, who holds the same in Dower, the Reversion of which belongs to the King. And the Right of *Amabilia*, Daughter of *Amabilia*, Daughter of the aforesaid *Duncan*, descended to *Ric. de Lucy* her Son and Heir; and from *Richard* to *Amabilia* and *Alice*, his Daughters and Heirs, the first of whose Inheritance descended to *Thomas de Moulton* of

“ *Egremond*,

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"Egremond, her Son and Heir; and Alicia's
 "Right descended to Thomas de Lucy, her Son
 "and Heir." Which Thomas dying without
 Issue, Anno 2 E. II, Anthony, his Brother, was
 found his next Heir; who obtain'd, by Charter
 dated June 4, Anno 16 E. II. from the King a
 Grant in Fee, of the Castle and Honour of Coc-
 kermouth, which fell to the Crown on the De-
 cease of the aforesaid Isabell, Anno 1294, 23 E.
 I, without Issue male, who held in Dower the
 Manor and Castle of Cockermouth, with the
 Market and Fair: (Tho' before this Grant of
 Edw. II to Anth. Lucy, I find all these Perqui-
 sites bestow'd by him, on his Accession to the R. Pat.
 Crown, on his unhappy Favourite Piers Gave- An. 1 E. 2.
 ston, beheaded in the 5th Year of his Reign.) n. 6. dat.
 To this Anthony succeeded, Anno 17 Edw. III, Jun. 6.
 Thomas, his Son and Heir, who dying Anno 39 Dugd. Bar.
 E. III, 1364, Anthony, his Son and Heir, had Vol. 1. p.
 Livery of his Lands, who departing this Life 565.
 Anno 1366, leaving Issue only a Daughter
 nam'd Joan, who dying Anno 1368, (not Ibidem,
 much more than three Years of Age) the p. 566.
 Inheritance of the Castle of Cockermouth,
 whereof she was seiz'd, fell to Maud her
 Aunt, Wife to Gilbert de Umfravill Earl of
 Angus, and Sister to Anthony de Lucy her Fa-
 ther. This Maud afterwards marrying to Hen-
 ry de Percy Earl of Northumberland; she by
 Fine, levy'd in the Octaves of St. John Bap-
 tist, Anno 8 R. II, 1384, settled the said Ibidem,
 Castle and Honour of Cockermouth, with a p. 277.
 large Proportion besides of her great Inheri-
 tance, upon the said Earl of Northumberland
 her Husband, and the Heirs male of his Bo-
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dy, with divers Remainders to the Family of *Peircy*, on Condition that they should bear the Arms of *Lucy*, (*viz. Gules, three Lucies, or Pikes hauriant, Argent:*) in all Shields, Banners, Ensigns, and Coat of Arms whatsoever, quarterly with their own. This *Henry*, in Right of his Wife being thus Lord, or Baron, of the Honour of *Cockermouth*, transmitted that Title down to his Posterity, in which it remain'd 'till the Death of *Josceline Piercy*, (the eleventh and last Earl of *Northumberland*, of that illustrious Family) which happen'd May 21, 1670. Upon Failure of his Issue male, this Honour came to his Grace the present Duke of *Somerset*, by Marriage of *Elizabeth*, Lady *Peircy*, (Relict of *Henry Cavendish* Earl of *Ogle*) sole Daughter and Heir of the aforesaid *Josceline* Earl of *Northumberland*, who, in her Right, is possess'd of a very great Inheritance of the Lands of the *Piercys*, amongst which are the Honours of *Cockermouth*, and *Petworth*, &c.

The Town of *Cockermouth* is seated somewhat low, between the Rivers *Derwent* and *Coker*, over which are two good Stone Bridges. The River *Coker* divides the Town into two Parts, in one of which Divisions stands the Castle, and in the other the Church, which anciently was only a Chapel of Ease to *Bridgeham*, a small Vill about a Mile off; tho' 'tis now distinct from it, and hath (besides its own) a small Chapel, belonging to a Vill call'd *Setmurder*, or *Seckmurdre*, in its Liberty. This Church, by some guess'd to be dedicated to *St. Michael*, (*tho'*, by the founding of

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a Chantry by Henry Piercy Earl of Northumberland, Anno 18 Ric. II, as I have seen in the Tower-Records, in the Chapel of All Saints at Cockerimouth, I should rather conclude it to be so consecrated) was rebuilt, entirely from the Ground, all but the Tower, Anno 1711: The better to enable the Parishioners in carrying on which necessary Work, Moneys were collected by Breif granted for that Purpose. 'Tis in Length an hundred Feet, and forty five in Breadth, and Gallery'd on both Sides, and at the West End the Roof is now cover'd with Slatt; but it was leaded formerly throughout, and consisted of a Body, South Isle, and large Chancel; which last now thrown into the rest of the Building, contains only the Communion-Table, rayl'd in with Banisters, with the Altar handsomly painted on each Side, with *Moses* on the one Hand, holding the two Tables of Stone, and *Aaron* on the other. In pulling down the old Church, there were found several Stones with ancient Characters, on one of which was **Hic jacet benedictus Cinn-**
for. And on another these Arms, viz. *Three Lucies, or Pikes*, which being the *Lucy's* Coat, seems to discover them to have been the Builders hereof, before it came to the *Piercy's*, and that the Fabrick was at least as old as *Edward the III'd's* Reign. The Tower is a plain Building, supported with Buttresses; cop'd at Top with Battlements, and slatted; and containing only three Bells. The Houses are all built of Stone, and slatted, except a few; they compose two Streets, one above

the River *Coker*, in which Part is the Moot-Hall, or Market-house, where the Com-Market is kept; and in the other below, is the Beast-Market. The chief Magistrate of this Town (which is no Corporation) is a Bailiff, who is annually chosen by a Jury of sixteen Burghers, at the Duke of *Somerset's* Court; and he is the Returning Officer of the Members of Parliament, who are elected by the Inhabitants at large, in Number, according to the two last Polls, three hundred; tho' here are not above two hundred and thirty five Houses, (some of these containing several Families) and, 'till of late Years, not half so many Voters. How this Borough came to be reviv'd, it having omitted sending for near three hundred and fifty Years, and, as is evident from the publick Records, never made but one Return before the Year 1640, (when it assum'd its Liberty of returning Burgesses, at the same Time that *Okehampton*, *Honyton*, *Aslburton*, *Malton*, and *Northallerton* did) I can only conjecture from the following President of the two latter Places, extracted from the *Commons Journal*.

December 11, 1640.

Pryn's Parl.

Writs, Part 4.

p. 1182.

“ Order'd, That the Towns of *Malton* and *Allerton*, in the County of *Tork*, which formerly, (as appear'd to the Committee, on View of Records) sent Burgesses, but for some Time had discontinu'd, be restor'd and remitted to their ancient Privileges for sending Burgesses to Parliament; and that a Warrant issue forth, under Mr. Speaker's Hand,

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"Hand, directed to the Clerk of the Crown
"in the Chancery, to send forth a Writ for
"Election of two Burgeffes to serve in this
"present Parliament, for the Town of *Malton*
"and *Allerton*." Which I find done in the
Session of this Parliament for all these six
Boroughs, none of them sending on the ori-
ginal Summons, or first Beginning of it.

The Castle is situate in the lower Street,
on this Side *Coker*, on a Hill near the River
Derwent, which runs on the *North* Side of it.
The Dimensions of the Walling is computed
about six hundred Yards in Compass. No
Part of the old Buildings are habitable, ex-
cept the Place where the Duke of *Somerſet's*
Auditor keeps his Courts twice a Year. And
an Apartment above the Gates, (on which,
Camden tells us, were the Arms of the *Moul-*
tons, *Humphranvills*, *Lucys*, and *Peircys*) where
is a large Dining-Room, and a Bed-Cham-
ber, with Chambers over them; tho' of late
the Duke has erected a new Building for
his Bailiff to live in, with Conveniences for
House-keeping; and likewise made Barns
and Stables. Here are Remains of a curious
vaulted Cellar, supported with two neat
hewn Pillars, and some Walls of a Chapel.

EDWARD I.

23 P. at West. Will Bully, Peter de Hale.

CHARLES I.

16 P. at West. John Hippeſley, Kt. Francis Allen, Eſq;

CHARLES

CHARLES II.

- 12 P. at West. Richard Tolson, Wilfrid Lawson, Esq;
 † In his 13 at West. Wilfrid Lawson, Kt. † Hugh Potter, Esq;
 Place, John 31 at West. Ric. Graham, Bart. Orlando Gee, Esq;
 Clark, Esq; 31 at West. Ric. Graham, Bart. Orlando Gee, Esq;
 32 at Oxf. Ric. Graham, Bart. Orlando Gee, Esq;

JAMES II.

- 1 P. at West. Orlando Gee, Esq; Daniel Fleming, Kt.

WILLIAM & MARY.

- 1 P. at West. Hen. Capell, Kt. Will. Fletcher, Esq;
 2 at West. Orlando Gee, Kt. Will. Lawson, Esq;

WILLIAM III.

- 7 P. at West. Hon. Charles Gerard, Bart. Hon. Goodwin
 Wharton, Esq;
 10 at West. Will. Seymour, Esq; Geo. Fletcher, Esq;
 ¶ In his 12 at West. ¶ Hon. Goodwin Wharton, Esq; Will. Sey-
 Place, chose mour, Esq;
 for Co. 13 at West. Will. Seymour, Esq; Geo. Fletcher, Esq;
 Bucks, Tho
 Lamplugh
 Esq;

ANNE.

- 1 P. at West. James Stanhope, Esq; Tho. Lamplugh, Esq;
 4 at West. James Stanhope, Esq; Tho. Lamplugh, Esq;
 7 at West. James Stanhope, Esq; Hon. Albemarle Ber-
 tie, Esq;
 9 at West. Nic. Letchmere, Esq; James Stanhope, Esq;
 12 at West. Jos. Musgrave, Esq; Nic. Letchmere, Esq;

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AS, in the Time of the Ro-
mans, a Part of the *Coritani*; Brit. p. 494.
and in the *Saxon Heptarchy*,
one of the *sixteen* entire Coun-
ties of the Kingdom of *Mercia*,
in which District, soon after
the first planting of *Christianity*, the *Bishoprick*
of *Litchfield* being founded, (whose Bishops
sild sometimes *Cestrenses*, and sometimes
Litchfeldenses, and sometimes *Coventrienses*,
according to their Place of Residence, and
now of late, of *Coventry* and *Litchfield*) this
County became subordinate to their Juris-
diction, in which it at present continues. In
this Shire are reckon'd *one hundred and six* Ibidem,
Parishes, of which *eleven* have Markets. Be- p. 495.
fore the *Reformation* here were *fourteen* Reli- Tanner's
gious Houses. Notit. Mo-
nast. p. 57.

As for Boroughs, here were none ever re-
presented in Parliament except *Derby*; tho'
Bakewell and *Chesterfield* have been so created,
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Leigh's Na-
tural Histo-
ry of Lan-
cashire,
Cheshire,
and Derby-
shire, Book
3. p. 40,
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Camden's
Brit. p.
494.

the latter of which now incorporated, has a Mayor, Aldermen, and Recorder, and is the second Town in the County. And as for Roman Colonies, there is no Mention in our Authors of any; tho' several Antiquities have been found at a Place call'd *Little Chester*, near *Derby*, and at *Haddon* near *Bakewell*, and *Buxton-Wells*, as Dr. Leigh, in his *Natural History of Lancashire, Cheshire, and Derbyshire*, attests; where, and in *Hobbes Book De Mirabilibus Pecci*, (translated by *Charles Cotton, Esq;* into *English Verse*) may be seen a good Account of the *Peak*, and a Description of the most magnificent Seat of the Duke of *Devonshire* at *Chattsworth*, for which this County is justly fam'd; as 'tis also for its Lead Mines and Medicinal Waters, in several Parts; the chief of which are *Buxton-Wells*, heretofore honour'd with the Presence of the unfortunate *Mary Queen of Scots*, who took her Farewel thereof in this Distich,

*Buxtona, quæ calidæ celebrabere Nomine Lympha
Forte mihi post-bac non adeunda, vale.*

But a Draught of them being given in *Speed's Maps*, as there is of the *Peak* in Dr. Leigh's History aforementioned, and several Prospects being publish'd of *Chattsworth*, I shall refer thereto, and likewise to other Printed Accounts, and omit speaking farther of this County, pursuant to my Design hastening to exhibit the Names of the Knights of this Shire, given in the following Catalogue; together with the Number of Days allow'd by the

the Writs of Expences, in repairing to and returning from great Councils and Parliaments, at the Places where they were generally held, which are as follows, viz. At Cambridge two Days, Coventry one, York two, *Pryn's* Gloucester three and four, Leicester one, *Lon-Brev. Parl.* London and Westminster four, Northampton two, *Vol. 4. p. 663.* Nottingham one, Sarum four and five, and Winchester four and five.

EDWARD I.

- 23 P. at West. Hen. de Kniveton, Giles de Meynell.
- 25 at London, Rob. Dethick, Tho. Foljambe.
- 26 at York, Hen. de Braillesford, Hen. Fitz Herbert.
- 28 at London, Geffry de Grefeley, Rob. de Frechville.
- 28 at Linc. Ralf de Frecheville, Geffrey de Grefley.
- 29 at Linc. Ralf de Frecheville, Geffrey de Grefley.
- 30 at London, Tho. Folejambe, Rob. de Toks.
- 33 at West. Hen. Folejambe, Will. Fannel.
- 34 Council at West. Rob. de Detheck, Giles de Meynell.
- 35 P. at Carlisle, *Cedula amissa.*

EDWARD II.

- 1 P. at Northton, Ralf Frecheville, Will. Faunell.
- 2 at West. Tho. Folejambe,
- 4 at London, Will. Faunell, Tho. Folejambe.
- 5 at West. Will. Refoll, Will. Fauwell.
- 6 at West. Ralf de Frechevill,
- 8 at York, Will. Faunel, Tho. Folejambe.
- 8 at West. Rob. Staunton, John Twyford.
- 9 at Linc. John Beaufay, Rob. de Staunton.
- 10 Council at Linc. Rob. de Staunton, John Deynecourt.
- 12 P. at York, John de Twyford, Ralf de Cromwell.
- 12 at York, John Deyncourt, John de Twyford.
- 17 at West. Hugh de Meignell, Nic. de Langeford.
- 18 at West. Ralf de Reresby, Will. Rosell.
- 19 at West. Will. Rosell, John de Beaufey.

EDWARD III.

- 1 P. at West. Tho. de Stainton, Will. Michell.
- 1 at Linc. Will. de Samperton, Simon de Cestre.
- 1 at West. Will. Michell, Rob. Ingram de Etewell.
- 2 at West. John de Beaufay, Will. Michel.
- 2 at New Sarum, Rob. de Maynhull, John Beaufay.
- 4 at West. Edm. de Appelby, John de Verdon.
- 4 at Winch. Rob. de Maignel, Hugh de Maignel.
- 5 at West. Hugh Fitz Hugh de Meynhull, Roger de Okenore.
- 6 at West. Rob. de Meignill, Will. Michel.
- 6 at West. Hugh de Meignill, Rob. de Meignill.
- 6 at West. Rob. de Meignill, Peter de Wakebrigg.
- 7 at York, Will. de Saperton, Simon de Cestre.
- 7 at York, Rob. de Meignill, Peter de Wakebrugge.
- 8 at West. Rob. de Ingram, John de Hambury.
- 8 at York, Will. de Saperton, Simon de Cestre.
- 9 at York, Hen de Kniveton, John Cockeyn.
- 10 Council at Nottingham, Peter de Wakebrigg, Hugh de Muskharn.
- 11 P. at West. Will. Michell, . . . Adam.
- 11 at West. Giles de Meynill, Rob. Franceys.
- 11 at West. Giles de Meynil, John Cokayn.
- 12 at West. Giles de Meynill, Rob. Fraunceys.
- 12 Council at Northton. John Cokeyn, Godfrey Folejambe.
- 12 P. at West. John Deyncourts, John de Twyford.
- 13 at West. John Cokayn, Tho. Adam.
- 13 at West. John Cokayn, Roger de Chester.
- 14 at West. Godfrey Folejambe, John Cokayn.
- 14 at West. Rob. Ingram, Rob. Greseleye.
- 14 at West. Rob. Ingram,
- 14 at West. Rob. Tours, John Beaufey.
- 15 at West. John Cokeyn, Rob. de Irland.
- 17 at West. Tho. Adam, Rob. Asheburn.
- 18 at West. John Cokayn, John Foucher.
- 20 at West. Giles de Meignill, Roger de Emerton.
- 20 at West. Will. de Asshewell, John de Chelaston.
- 21 at West. Roger de Enynton, Rob. de Ashburn.
- 22 at West. John de Rochford, John de Chelaston.
- 22 at West. Roger de Enynton, Rob. de Ashebourn.
- 24 at West. John Cockeyn, John Foucher.

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- 25 *P.* at West. John Cockeayn, John Foucher.
- 26 at West. Roger de Padley, Will. de Chestre.
- 26 Council at West. Rob. de Twyford.
- 27 at West. Rob. Fraunceys.
- 28 *P.* at West. Hen. de Braylesford, Rob. Fraunceys.
- 29 at West. Tho. Adam, John Beck.
- 31 at West. Rob. Fraunces, Tho. Adam.
- 31 at West. Will. de Wakebrugg, Mich. de Breideston.
- 31 at West. Rob. Fraunces, Tho. Adam.
- 32 at West. Will. de Wakebrugg, Roger Michel.
- 34 at West. Rob. Fraunceys, John Foucher.
- 34 at West. Hen. de Braillesford, John Cockayn.
- 35 at West. Hen. de Braillesford, John Cockayn.
- 36 at West. John Cockayn, Rob. Fraunceys.
- 37 at West. Edmund de Apelby.
- 38 at West. Godfrey Foljambe, Hen. de Braillesford.
- 39 at West. Rob. de Twyford, Ralph de Scathom.
- 42 at West. Rob. de Twyford, John Foucher.
- 43 at West. Godfrey Foljambe, Rob. de Twyford.
- 45 at West. Godfrey Foljambe, John Foucher.
- 45 Council at Winch. Godfrey Foljambe, John Foucher.
- 46 *P.* at West. Alured de Sulney, John Fraunceys.
- 47 at West. Will. Bokepny, Ralph de Stathom.
- 50 at West. Edm. de Appleby, *Chr.* Ralph de Scathom.
- 51 at West. John de la Pole de Hertington, Edmund Foucher.

RICHARD II.

- 1 *P.* at West. Alured Sulwy, *Chr.* Rob. de Twyford, *Chr.*
- 2 at Glouc. Oliver de Bartoun, Ralf de Scathom.
- 2 at West. Alured de Sulny, *Chr.* John Curson de Ketilston.
- 3 at West. Tho. de Marchyngton, *Chr.* Ralph de Braillesford.
- 4 at Northton. Oliver de Barton, Will. de Sallowe.
- 5 at West. Tho. de Twyford, Tho. de Marchyngton.
- 5 at West. Tho. de Marchyngton, *Chr.* Phil. de Okire, *Chr.*
- 6 at West. Tho. de Wernefley, John Curson.
- 6 at West. Tho. de Marchyngton, *Chr.* Ralph de Braillesford.
- 7 at West. John Curson, Ralph de Braillesford.
- 7 at New Sarum, Rob. Fraunceys, Will. de Adderley.

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- 8 P. at West. Tho. de Wenesly, *Chr.* Will de Detheckes.
 9 at West. Rob. Fraunceyes, Will. de Adderley.
 12 at Camb. Nic. de Montgomery, *Chr.* Rob. Fraunceys, *Chr.*
 13 at West. Tho. Wendesly, *Chr.* Nic. Montgomery, *Chr.*
 14 at West. Will. Adderley, Tho. Folgeam.
 15 at West. Phil. de Okoure, *Chr.* Tho. Foljambe.
 16 at Winch. John Dabridgecourt, *Chr.* Nic. Goufill, jun. *Chr.*
 17 at West. Tho. de Wendesly, *Chr.* John de la Pole, *Chr.*
 18 at West. John Cokayne, *Chr.* Peter de Melbourn.
 20 at West. Will. Derhek, *Chr.* Roger de Braedeburn.
 21 at West. John Dabridgecourt, *Chr.* Will. Meynill, *Chr.*

HENRY IV.

- 1 P. at West. Walter Blount, *Chr.* John Curson.
 2 at West. Tho. de Grefeley, *Chr.* Peter del Pole.
 4 at West. John Cokayn, Roger Leche.
 5 at West. Nic. de Longford, *Chr.* John Curson.
 6 at Coventry, John Cokayn, *Chr.* Roger Bradburn.
 8 at West. Roger Leche, *Chr.* Roger Bradshaw.
 9 at Glouc. Rob. de Strelley, *Chr.* Tho. Okere.
 12 at West. Nic. Mountgomery, Rob. Fraunceys.

HENRY V.

- 1 P. at West. Roger Leche, *Chr.* Tho. Chaworth, *Chr.*
 1 at Leic. Phil. Leche, Nic. Mountgomery.
 2 at West. Roger Leche, Tho. Grefley.
 3 at West. Nic. Mountgomery, *Chr.* John de la Pole.
 5 at West. Tho. de Grefley, John de Pole.
 8 at West. Tho. Blount, Hen. Booth.
 8 at West. John de Strelley, Tho. de Okere.
 9 at West. Nic. Gofyll, Tho. Okcover.

HENRY VI.

- 1 P. at West. Ric. Vernon, John Cockeyn.
 2 at West. Hen. Booth, John Curson.
 3 at West. Hen. Bothe, Tho. Makeworth.
 4 at Leic. Richard Vernon, John de la Pole.
 6 at West. John Cockayn, Henry del Both.
 8 at West. John Curson, Gerard Meynell.

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- 9 P. at West. John Cokayne, Thomas Makworth.
13 at West. John Cursun, Gerard Meynell.
15 at Cambridge, Fulk Vernon, Robert Franceys.
20 at West. John Cursun, Will. Vernon.
25 at Camb. Walter Blount, Nic. Fitz Herbert.
27 at West. John Sacheverel, Walter Blount, Esq;
28 at West. Will. Vernon, John Sacheverel.
29 at West. Will. Vernon, Esq; Walter Blount, Esq;
31 at Reading, Walter. Blount, Esq; Nic. Fitz Herbert.
33 at West. Walter Blount, Esq; Rob. Bailly, Esq;
39 at West. John Greisley, Kt. Walter Blount, Esq;

EDWARD IV.

- 7 P. at West. Will. Blount, Will. Vernon.
12 at West. Nic. Longford, James Blount.
17 at West. John Grefley, Henry Vernon.

The Writs, Returns, and Indentures, from
17 Edw. IV to 33 Hen. VIII, are all lost.

HENRY VIII.

- 33 P. at West. . . . Kt. George Vernon, Esq;

EDWARD VI.

- 1 P. at West. . . .
6 at West. Tho. Cockyn, Kt. Humfry Bradburn, Kt.

MARY.

- 1 P. at West. John Port, Kt. Ric. Blackwall, Esq;
1 at Oxford, Francis Curson, Tho. Powtrell.

PHILIP & MARY.

- 1 & 2 P. at West. . . .
2 & 3 at West. Humphry Bradborn, Kt. . . . Vincent, Esq;
4 & 5 at West. John Zouch, Godfrey Foljambe, Esqs;

ELIZABETH.

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ELIZABETH

- 1 P. at West.
 5 at West. Will. St. Lowe, Kt. Ric. Wennesley, Esq;
 13 at West. Francis Curson, Esq; Ric. Wennesley, Esq;
 14 at West. Gilbert Talbot, Esq; Hen. Cavendish, Esq;
 27 at West. Hen. Talbot, Esq; Hen. Cavendish, Esq;
 28 at West. Hen. Talbot, Esq; Hen. Cavendish, Esq;
 31 at West. John Zouch, Esq; Hen. Cavendish, Esq;
 37 at West. Geo. Manners, Esq; Hen. Cavendish, Esq;
 39 at West.
 43 at West. Fra. Leake, Esq; Peter Frecheville, Esq;

JAMES I.

- 1 P. at West. John Harper, Kt. Will. Knyfton, Esq;
 12 at West.
 18 at West. Will. Lord Cavendish, John Stanhope, Kt.
 12 at West. Will. Lord Cavendish, Peter Frecheville, Kt.

CHARLES I.

- 1 P. at West. Will. Lord Cavendish, John Stanhope, Esq;
 1 at West. Will. Ld Cavendish, John Manners, Esq;
 3 at West. Edw. Leech, Esq; John Frechville, Esq;
 15 at West. John Manners, Esq; John Curson, Bart.
 16 at West. John Curson, Bart. John Cook, Kt.

CHARLES II.

- 11 P. at West. Henry Cavendish, Viscount Mansfield,
 John Ferrers, Esq;
 ¶ In his 13 at West. Will. Ld Cavendish, ¶ John Frechville, Esq;
 Place, de- 31 at West. Will. Ld Cavendish, Will. Sacheverell, Esq;
 ceas'd, 31 at West. Will. Ld Cavendish, Will. Sacheverell, Esq;
 Will. Sa- 32 at Oxf. Will. Ld Cavendish, Will. Sacheverell, Esq;
 cheverell,
 Esq;

JAMES II.

- 1 P. at West. Rob. Coke, Bart. Gilbert Clerke, Kt.

WILLIAM

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WILLIAM & MARY.

- 1 P. at West. Gilbert Clerk, Kt. Phil. Gell, Barr.
- 2 at West. Gilbert Clerk, Kt. Hen. Gilbert, Esq;

WILLIAM III.

- 7 P. at West. *Hon. William Marquis of Hartington*, Gilbert Clerk, Kt.
- 8 at West. *Hon. Will. Marquis of Hartington*, Tho. Coke, Esq;
- 2 at West. *Right Hon. Will. Marquis of Hartington*, *Right Hon. John Lord Roos*.
- 3 at West. John Curson, Esq; Tho. Coke, Esq;

ANNE.

- 1 P. at West. John Curson, Esq; Tho. Coke, Esq;
- 4 at West. John Curson, Esq; Tho. Coke, Esq;
- 7 at West. *Right Hon. Tho. Coke, Esq; Vice-Chamberlain*, John Curson, Esq;
- 9 at West. John Curson, Esq; Godfrey Clark, Esq;
- 2 at West. John Curzon, Esq; Godfrey Clark, Esq;



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*Chron. Sax-
on. p. 24.*

*Gibson's
Addition to
Camden's
Brit. p. 49.*

*Chronicon
Saxon. p.
106.*

*Ibidem,
p. 114.*

THIS Town, denominating the County, seems to be deriv'd from the Saxon Word *Deop, Fera*, and by, *Habitatio*, from being a Shelter for Deer; which is farther confirm'd, as my Author remarks, from the Arms of the Town, being a *Buck couchant in a Park* (implying that it was formerly a Park.) When it was built does not appear, but its ancient Charters argue it to be a Place of great Antiquity; and these Passages in the Saxon Chronicles describe it of Note in those early Times. *Anno 918, Ethelfleda, Merciorum Domina, Deo adjuvante, ante Primitiarum Festum, in Deditionem accepit Urbem, cum omnibus ad eam pertinentibus, quæ vocatur Deoraby. Ibi etiam fuerunt interfecti ejus Thani quatuor, qui ei chariores fuerunt inter Portas.* And again, *Anno 942, we are told there; in that Year, Rex Edmundus Merciam invasit, & quinque Civitates liberavit ex jugo Danorum,*

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Danorum quarum una Derby. And an hundred Years after, in *Edward the Confessor's Reign*, we find this Town a Royal Borough; and that there were in it an hundred and forty three Burgeses; who, at the Norman Survey, were reduc'd to an hundred, and paid, at the Feast of St. Martin, twelve Traves of Corn to the King: Camden's *Brian*, p. 492. Which I put down so particularly from *Camden*, to shew, that what the learned Dr. Gale, in his most useful Edition of the *British, Saxon, and Danish Writers*, has mention'd, (out of *Doomsday-Book*) Vol. 3. p. 773, between *Shropshire* and *Nottinghamshire*, of a Place call'd *Derby* in *Lancashire*, (tho' he does not give it under that Title) may not be mistaken for this Town; that excellent Author having, in his aforesaid Work, set forth the Survey of most of the Shire-Towns in *England*, has caus'd my being less solicitous to give what I cite out of *Doomsday-Book* at length. As to *Camden's* fetching the Name of this Town from the River *Derwent*, and saying it was also call'd *Northworthig* by the Saxons, I submit it to the Curious to examine; and referring to *Speed's Maps* for the Draught of this Place, shall sum up my Account in general of it, by only adding, that 'tis a large, populous, and well frequented Town, numbering five Parish-Churches, the fairest of which is *Allhallows*, formerly Collegiate: It was a Royal free Chapel temp. *Hen. III.*, when the Bishop of *Coventry* and *Litchfield* was restrain'd from exercising Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction there; as were also, temp. *Edw. I.*, the Deans and

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Canons

ib. p. 491
and 495.

R. Claus.
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Ro. Pat.
A. 7. E. 1.
m. 18.

Dug. Mon. Canons of *Lincoln*, to whom *Henry I.* gave
Ang. Vol. *Derby Churches*, as appears by the *Monasti-*
3. p. 264. *con.*

Bloom's

Brit. p. 76. In this Church are fine Tombs of the
 Countess of *Shrewsbury*, and of the Earl of
Devonshire and his Countess; several of which
 noble Family are bury'd here, as is the late
 Duke of *Devonshire*. The Tower-Steeple,
 built at the Charges of the young Men and
 Maids about the Reign of Queen *Mary*, is e-
 quall'd by few in these Parts. The other
 Churches, are, *St. Peters*, *St. Michaels*, *St.*
Werburgh, and *St. Alkmund*; which last was
 erected in Memory of that Saint, Son of
Aldred, and Brother of *Ofred*, Kings of the
Northumbrians, slain by the *Danes* about the
 Year 780. His Festival is celebrated *March*

Leland's

Collectanea
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nasti. p. 37.
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19. He was first bury'd at *Lillestull* in *Shrop-*
shire, and thence translated hither. But be-
 sides these Parish-Churches, here were two
 Chapels, one of *St. Mary*, and another of *St.*
James; and a Priory of Black Canons, de-
 dicated to *St. Hellen*; and a Nunnery of *St.*
Mary de Pratis, without the Town; and a Cell
 of *Cluniack* Monks, dedicated to *St. James*,
 belonging to *Bermondsey*; together with di-
 vers Chantries, as *Boulton* Chapel, or Chan-
 try, and *Normanston's* Chantry in *St. Peter's*
 Church. Here was also *St. Leonard's* Ho-
 spital, the Custody of which King *Richard*
 II granted to *John de Pakington*.

As to publick Buildings, here is a fair
 Hall for holding the Assizes and Sessions,
 built of free Stone *temp. Char. II.*, at the Coun-
 ty Charge; and a well endow'd Hospital,
 founded

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founded; *Anno* 1626, by the Countess of *Shrewsbury*, for eight Men and four Women; with a fine Bridge, of nine Arches, at the Entrance of the Town, over the *Derwent*, on which the Chapel of *St. Mary* stood.

The Election of Members of Parliament is vested in the Freemen and sworn Burgesses, who, at a Poll *Anno* 1710, were near six hundred; but since are augmented to about nine hundred. The Returning Officer is the Mayor. The Corporation consists of a Mayor, nine Aldermen, fourteen Brethren, fourteen Common-Council Men, a Recorder, High Steward, and Town-Clerk, according to the Charter of King *Charles I*: Before whose Time it was govern'd by two Bayliffs, who were to be elected on *Michaelmas-Day*, according to King *James the Ist's* Charter, dated at *Westminster March 7*, in the ninth Year of his Reign, which recites, "That

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"this Place had divers Privileges granted I.
"it in several Kings Reigns, as *Henry I* and
"II, *Richard I*, and King *John*, and other
"succeeding Kings; which the said King
"James ratifies and confirms. The particu-
"lar Liberties mention'd in this Charter,
"are, viz. That the Bayliffs, Recorder, and
"Town-Clerk, or any three of them, shall
"have a Power to keep a Court of Record,
"upon *Tuesday* in every second Week; and
"to be Justices of the Peace for the Year,
"and the Year ensuing their being elected
"Bayliffs; and that they shall have Re-
"turn of all Writs and Procefs, and no fo-
"reign Justice to intermeddle; and have

" Power to keep a quarterly Sessions, and
 " two Court-Leets yearly, and six yearly
 " Fairs; and to be Toll-free throughout the
 " whole Kingdom, and to take Toll and
 " Taillage, as well throughout the Dutchy
 " of Lancaster, as elsewhere, only to receive
 " but half Toll of the Dutchy, &c. But to
 instance some of their former Liberties, from
 what I have seen of them Anno 3 of King
 John. The Burgesses of Derby were return'd
 into the King's Exchequer, as owing sixty six
 Marks for the Confirmation of their Liberties;
 and in the 6th Year of that King's Reign,
 they were likewise return'd Debtors sixty
 Marks and two Palfreys, for holding the Town
 of Derby at the usual Fee-Farm, and 10 l. In-
 crease for all Services, and having such a Char-
 ter as the Burgesses of Nottingham have. And
 Anno 12 of King John, these Burgesses ac-
 counted for 40 l. for the Fee-Farm of the Town.
 In the succeeding Reign of Henry III, the
 King granted to the Burgesses of Derby, and
 their Heirs, that no Jew shall live in the Town.
 And Anno 4 Edward III, " These Burgesses
 " were summon'd to answer by what War-
 rant they claim'd to have Toll; and that
 " none should dye Cloth within ten Leagues
 " of Derby, except in the said Borough, sa-
 ving the Liberties of Nottingham; and to
 be Toll-free throughout the King's Domi-
 nions; and to chuse a Bayliff every Year;
 " and have a Fair on Thursday and Friday
 " in Whiston-Week, and another of seventeen
 " Days, viz. eight Days before the Festival
 " of St. James, and on the Festival, and the
 " eight

Madox's
 Hist. of the
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 the Exche-
 quer, p. 278
 Ib. p. 280.

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 Warranto
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 prox. post.
 Fest. St. Pet.
 & Paul. a-
 pud Derb.
 A. 4. E. 3.
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" eight succeeding Days; and to have a Co-
 " roner, and none be impleaded out of the
 " Borough; and to have Markets on *Sunday*,
 " *Monday*, *Wednesday*, and from *Thursday*
 " *Eve to Friday Eve*, every Week. For the
 " Privilege of Toll, they produc'd King *Ed-*
 " *ward* the III^d's Charter, dated the 3^d of
 " *June*, in the first Year of his Reign. Where-
 " upon the King, on their paying a Fine of
 " forty Marks, restor'd them their Liberties,
 " which he had question'd and seiz'd, it ap-
 " pearing to him, that they, and their An-
 " cestors, Time out of Mind, enjoy'd them,
 " and held the said Borough, paying yearly
 " a Quit-Rent of 46 l. 16 s.

That the Manor is still in the Corporati-
 on, I have, since the writing of this, been
 inform'd; which seems probable from the
 afore-mention'd Charters; but whether any
 Fee-Farm Rent is paid, I am to seek, and
 to whom; or whether to the Crown or no.
 By Charter dated *Nov. 3, Anno 33 Henry*
VIII, that King gave to the Dean and Chapter
 of *Burton upon Trent, Co. Stafford, the Fee-*
Farm Rents of the Manor of Derby; which
 belong'd, I presume, to the Dutchy of *Lan-*
caster, during the Time the Title of Earl of
Derby continu'd in the Royal Family of the
 House of *Lancaster*; as it did, from *Henry* the
 III^d's Time, 'till King *Henry* the VIIth be-
 stow'd it, *October 27, 1485*, on *Thomas Lord*
Stanley, (who had not long before mar-
 ry'd his Mother) rais'd to that Dignity
 by Writ of Summons to Parliament, dated
May 24, 1461, 1 Edw. IV; in which noble
 Family

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Dale's Catalogue of the Nobility, p. 36.
York's Heraldry, p. 145.
Heylin's Help to History, p. 288

Leigh's Natural History of Lancashire, &c. Lib. 2. p. 46.

Family this Honour still continues, and is enjoy'd by the Right Honourable *James Stanley*, the tenth Earl of *Derby*, of the Name of *Stanley*, who is also Baron *Stanley Strange* of *Knokyn* and *Mobun*, Lord of *Man* and the *Isles*. But before the *Stanleys* had this Title, six of the ancient Family of the *Ferrers*, and as many of the Royal Family of the House of *Lancaster*, had borne the same, before the Accession of *Henry IV* to the Crown; inso-much, that from the Year 1090, viz. 2 *Will. II*, to this Time, it has laid vacant a very little while.

But the Account of these three first Earls being somewhat different in *Camden*, I shall exhibit what he says of them, compar'd with what another Author has thence extracted, who tells us, that the *Peverells* were first Lords of *Nottingham* and *Derby*. After which *Ric. I* gave and confirm'd to his Brother *John* the County and Castle of *Nottingham*, *Lancaster*, *Derby*, &c. with the Honour belonging to them, and the Honour of *Peverell*. After him, those of the Family of *Ferrers* are allow'd to have been Earls; of which Family King *John* created *William de Ferrariis*, born of the Daughter and Heir of *Peverell* Earl of *Derby*, with his own Hands; but his Descendants, *William* and *Robert*, in the Civil Wars were stript of this Dignity; and many Possessions, belonging to *Robert*, were given by *K. Henry III* to his younger Son *Edmund*, whose great Grandson, *Edw. III*, by Act of Parliament, gave to *Henry* of *Lancaster* (the Son of *Henry* of *Lancaster*) and his Heirs, the Earl-

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Earldom of *Derby*, and assign'd him a thousand Marks yearly, during his Father's Life. From that Time this Title continu'd in this Family, 'till King *Henry VII* gave it to *Tho.* ^{Camden's Brit. p. 496.} Lord *Stanley* aforementioned.

EDWARD I.

- 23 P. at West. John de la Cornere, Ranulph de Make-
neye.
- 26 at York, Will. Broune de Derby, Nic. le Loriner.
- 28 at West. Nic. de Loriner, Gervase de Derby.
- 30 at West. Gervase de Wilnye, Adam le Rede.
- 33 at West. John de la Corne, Ric. Cardoyl.
- 34 at West. John de Chadefdon, Gervase de Wileyne.
- 35 at Carlisle, Hugh Alibon, Peter le Chapman.

EDWARD II.

- 1 P. at Northton, John Chaddefdon, Gervase de Wil-
ney.
- 4 at West. Hen. Alwaston, Tho. del Stade.
- 5 at West. Tho. del Sled, Hen. Binderton.
- 6 at West. Geffry de Leycestre, Rob. de Breydsale.
- 7 at West. John Fitz John, Hen. Lomb.
- 8 at West. Adam le Rede, Will. de Aleby.
- 8 at York, Will. de Aleby, Adam le Rede.
- 12 at York, Simon de Chester, Richard Breddon.
- 12 at York, Alex. de Holond, John de Weston.
- 19 at West. Hen. le Carpenter, John Fitz Richard.

EDWARD III.

- 1 at Linc. John Fitz Gilbert, Ferhun Tutbury.
- 2 at West. Simon de Chester, John Collings.
- 2 at New Sarum, Tho. Turaxbar, Geffry Snayth.
- 2 at New Sarum, Will. Notingham, John de Weston.
- 4 at Winch. Simon de Notingham, John de Weston.
- 4 at West. Will. Nottingham, Simon Chedel.
- 7 at York, Hugh Allibon, John Gibbonson.
- 8 at York, John Gibbenfon,
- 9 at West. Nic. Langford, John Fitz Thomas.

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- 9 P. at York, Simon de Chester, John Gibbenson.
 10 Council at Nott. John Firz William, Tho. Tuttebury.
 11 at West. William de Derby, John Hache,
 Robert Allibon.
 11 P. at West. Will. de Derby, Rob. de Weston.
 11 at West. Simon de Chester, Rob. Allibon.
 11 at West. Hen. del Howe, Rob. Saundre.
 12 at York, Alex. Holland, John Weston.
 12 at Northton. John Gibbonson, John Preston.
 12 at West. Tho. Tirbury, Tho. Thurmondsley.
 14 at West. Tho. de Tutbury, Tho. Derby.
 14 at West. Ric. de Trowell, Peter de Querndon.
 15 at West. Simon de Nottingham, Tho. de Derby.
 17 at West. Will. de Nottingham, Simon de Chester.
 21 at West. Will. de Chaddefden, Tho. de Tutbury.
 23 at West. Will. Gilbert, John de Chaddefden.
 24 at West. Tho. Tutbury, Will. de Derby.
 27 at West. Will. Chester, Ric. Chelford.
 28 at West. Tho. Tutbury, Hen. Diddound.
 28 at West. Edm. Toucher, John Beck.
 29 at West. Will. Ennington, Will. Nayle.
 31 at West. Will. de Chester, Will. Nayle.
 34 at West. Tho. Tutbury, John Gilbert.
 34 at West. Peter Prentiz, Will. de Rossington.
 35 at West. Peter Prentiz, Will. de Rossington.
 36 at West. John Trowell, John Weeke.
 37 at West. John Bradon, Rob. Allibon,
 38 at West. Will. Chestre, John Gilbert.
 39 at West. John Berd, Will. Sese.
 42 at West. John de Brakkeley, Will. Glasfyere.
 43 at West. John Preeft, John de Brakkelly.
 45 Council at Winchester, John Frowell.
 46 P. at West. Will. Chestre, John Gilbert.
 47 at West. Will. Pakeman, Roger Allibon.
 50 at West. Will. Groos, John de Berdee.

RICHARD II.

- 2 P. at West. John de Heye, Ric. de Trowell.
 2 at Glouc. Hen. Flamstead, Roger Allibon.
 3 at West. Ric. Dell, Roger Ashe.
 6 at West. Tho. Toppeleyes, John Hay.
 7 at West. Will. Pakeman, John Bowyer.
 7 at New Sarum, Ric. de Trowell, John Gibbon.

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- 8 P. at West. Ric. Sherman, John de Stockes,
- 9 at West. Ric. Trowell, John Dell.
- 10 at West. John Stod, John Prentis.
- 12 at Camb. Will. Pakeman, Hugh Adam.
- 13 at West. John del Heye, John de Stokes.
- 15 at West. Ric. Shereman, Tho. Docking.
- 18 at West. Will. Grosse, John de Stoke.
- 20 at West. Will. Grosse, Tho. Shore.

HENRY IV.

- 1 P. at West. John Stockes, Tho. Docking.
- 4 at West. Elias del Stok, Ric. de Frowell.
- 6 at Coventry, John del Stokes, John Prentiz.
- 8 at West. Tho. Goldsmith, John Fairclogh.
- 12 at West. John Brasier, Tho. Shore.

HENRY V.

- 1 P. at West. Elias del Stock,
- 2 at West. Elias del Stock, Tho. Ridgway.
- 3 at West. Elias del Stock, Roger Welley.
- 5 at West. Rob. Ireland, Tho. Steppingstone.
- 7 at Glouc. Tho. Goldsmith, John Faireclogh.
- 8 at West. Rob. Smith, Ric. Browne.
- 9 at West. Ralph Shore, John Spicer.

HENRY VI.

- 1 P. at West. John Stokes, John Barkere.
- 2 at West. John de Both, Elias Dell.
- 3 at West. John Stokes, Elias Dell.
- 4 at Leic. Roger Wolley, Henry Crabbe.
- 6 at West. Nic. Meysham, John de Stokkys.
- 8 at West. John de Barthe, Elias Stokkys.
- 9 at West. Tho. Stokkes, Rob. Smyth.
- 11 at West. John Booth, Rob. Sutton.
- 13 at West. John Bothe, Tho. Stokkeys.
- 15 at Camb. Tho. Stokks, Elias Tildesley.
- 20 at West. Tho. Stokkys, Hen. Spicer.
- 25 at Camb. Tho. Chatley, Rob. Mundy.
- 27 at West. Tho. Charterley, John Spycer.
- 28 at West. Ric. Chatteley, Tho. Chattely.
- 28 at West. Ric. Chitterley, Tho. Chitterley.

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- 29 *P. at West.* Tho. Acard, Tho. Bradshawe.
 31 *at Reading,*
 33 *at West.* John Bird, Edw. Lovet.
 38 *at West.* John Bird, Will. Hunter.

EDWARD IV.

- 7 *P. at West.* Tho. Bakyngham, Tho. Allestre.
 12 *at West.* John Newton, Roger Wilkinfon.
 17 *at West.* John Bridde, sen. John Newton.

HENRY VIII.

- 33 *P. at West.* Tho. Sutton, Gent. Will. Alestre.

EDWARD VI.

- 1 *P. at West.*
 6 *at West.* Rob. Ragge, Will. Alestry.

MARY.

- 1 *P. at West.* Tho. Sutton, Esq; Geo. Charney, Gent.
 1 *at Oxf.* Will. Alestry, Geo. Stringer.

PHILIP & MARY.

- 1 & 2 *P. at West.* Will. Moor, Ric. Beynbrygge.
 2 & 3 *at West.* Ric. Warde, Will. Alestry.
 4 & 5 *at West.* James Thatcher, Will. Baynbrigge.

ELIZABETH.

- 1 *P. at West.*
 5 *at West.* Will. Moor, Gent. Will. Baynbrigge, Gent.
 † *In his* 13 *at West.* Rob. Stringer, Rob. Baynbrigge.
Place, Rob. 14 *at West.* Rob. Stringer, † Tristram Tirwhite.
Baynbrig- 27 *at West.* Hen. Beaumont, Esq; Will. Botham, Esq;
ge. 28 *at West.* Will. Botham, Rob. Baynbrigge.
 31 *at West.* Will. Botham, Ric. Fletcher.
 35 *at West.* Will. Botham, Rob. Stringer.
 39 *at West.*
 43 *at West.* Peter Ewer, Esq; John Baxter, Esq;

JAMES

JAMES I.

- 1 P. at West. John Baxter, Gent. Edmund Slighe, Gent.
 12 at West.
 18 at West. Timothy Leving, Esq; Recorder, Edward
 Leech, Esq;
 21 at West. Edward Leech, Kt. Master in Chancery,
 Timothy Leving, Esq;

CHARLES I.

- 1 P. at West. Edward Leech, Kt. Timothy Leving, Esq;
 Recorder.
 1 at West. Hen. Crofts, Kt. John Thorogood, Esq;
 3 at West. Peter Mainwaring, Tim. Leving, Esq;
 15 at West. Will. Allestry, Esq; Recorder, Nathaniel
 Hallowes, Alderman.
 16 at West. Will. Allestry, Esq; Recorder, Nathaniel
 Hallowes, Alderman.
 Tho. Gill, Esq;

CHARLES II.

- 12 P. at West. John Dalton, Roger Alestry, Esq;
 13 at West. * Roger Alestry, Esq; John Dalton, Esq; * In his
 31 at West. Geo. Vernon, Esq; Anchetil Gray, Esq; Place, An-
 31 at West. Geo. Vernon, Esq; Anchetil Gray, Esq; chetil
 32 at Oxfo. Anchetil Gray, Esq; Geo. Vernon, Esq; Gray, Esq;

JAMES II.

- 1 P. at West. John Coke, Esq; Will. Allestry, Esq;

WILLIAM & MARY.

- 1 P. at West. Hon. Anchetil Gray, Esq; John Coke, Esq;
 2 at West. Hon. Anchetil Gray, Esq; Robert Will-
 mot, Esq;

WILLIAM III.

- † In his Place, made
L. Chief Justice,
Ric. Pye, Esq;
‡ In his Place, made
Attorney General of
Ireland,
Edward Monday, Esq;
* In his Place, deceased,
Nathaniel Curzon, Esq;
- 7 P. at West. Honourable Henry Lord Cavendish, John Ragnold, Gent.
10 at West. Honourable Henry Lord Cavendish, George Vernon, Esq;
12 at West. Honourable James Cavendish, Esq; Charles Pye, Bart.
13 at West. John Harpur, Esq; Rt. Honourable Lord James Cavendish.

ANNE.

- 1 P. at West. John Harpur, Esq; Tho. Stanhope, Esq;
4 at West. Honourable James Lord Cavendish, Tho. Parker, Esq;
7 at West. Right Honourable James Lord Cavendish, † Tho. Parker, Kt. one of her Majesty's Serjeants at Law.
9 at West. ‡ Richard Leving, Kt. & Bart. * John Harpur, Esq;
12 at West. Nathaniel Curzon, Esq; Edw. Munday, Esq;



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DEVON,



S before observ'd in *Cornwall*,
 was possess'd, in the Time of *Camden's*
 the *Romans*, by the *Danmonii*, *Brit. p. 251*
 whose chief Cities, or Colo-
 nies, mention'd in *Antoninus*,
 were, *Isca Danmoniorum*, *Exe-* *Gales*
ter, and *Maridunum-Seaton*, (a Village almost *Anton. It.*
 on the utmost Limits of this County, next *tin. p. 137,*
Dorsetshire.) In the Time of the Saxon *Prince's*
Hep- *Worthies of*
 taryby, this Shire was accounted Part of the *Devon. p. 1,*
 Kingdom of the *West Saxons*; tho' it was not
 entirely won from the *Britains* 'till four hun-
 dred sixty five Years after the Saxons first land-
 ed here. For before the Year 930, in the
 Reign of King *Athelstan*, the *Britains* and Sax-
 ons liv'd promiscuously together, and *Corn-* *ibidem,*
wall and *Devonshire* continu'd the same Pro- *p. S.*
 vince, and under the same Bishops, as shew'd
 in that County. The first appointing an
 Episcopal See here, was *Anno 905*, when a *Goodwin*
 Bishop was plac'd at a little Town call'd *de Praesul.*
p. 450.
Tawton,

Tawton, near *Barnstaple*, to preside over *Devonshire*; but the See was soon remov'd from thence, viz. in about six Years, upon the Death of *Putta*, the second Bishop, to *Crediton*, or *Kirton*, where ten Bishops sat, before it underwent its final Translation to *Exeter*, Anno 1049, with that of *St. Germans* in *Cornwall*; when both Dioceses, being united, were subjected to *Exeter*, where now the Cathedral of this large Diocese standeth, and its Bishop has Jurisdiction over these two great *Western* Counties; in which of *Devon*, reputed for Bigness the *second* in *England*, are three hundred ninety four Parishes, whereof thirty eight are *Market-Towns*; and before the Reformation, here were thirty nine *Religious Houses*.

Camden's
Brit. p. 35.
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nastr. p. 41.

This Shire is bounded on the *North* and *South* Sides by the Sea; and upon Account of its maritime Traffick, having several great trading Towns, and good Ports, the Inhabitants procur'd divers of them to be created Boroughs, insomuch, that here were anciently more Towns dignify'd with that Title, than in any other County in *England*; and were all the Boroughs in this Shire, that had heretofore return'd Burgesses to Parliament, added to those that now send, no County would have so many Representatives, except *Cornwall*; and if we look back to the Reigns of King *Edward I, II, and III*, *Devonshire* sent oftentimes as many Burgesses, if not more, than any other in *England* did, and still recounteth more disus'd Boroughs: Which my Design leading me to treat

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treat of, I shall conclude what else I have to remark, with that Head, and the Account of its Earls; my small Treatise not allowing me to expatiate, either in the History of this County or City of *Exeter*. Besides, several of its Natives, as *Hooker*, *Rifdon*, *Isaack*, *Prince*, &c. having given us particular Accounts thereof, I may happily be excus'd that Task, and proceed to set down the Representatives sent by the disus'd Boroughs to Parliaments and Councils; which Towns I shall place in an Alphabetical Manner. But in these it is to be observ'd, that two, namely *Exmouth* and *Teignemuth*, sent only Merchants, or Ship-Owners, to treat of maritime Affairs relating to Trade, to Councils conven'd for that Purpose, which were different from Parliaments.

Borough of Bradneysham.

EDWARD II.

6 P. at West. Tho. de Tottelbourne, Ric. Venour.

Borough of Crediton.

EDWARD I.

35 P. at Carlisle, Stephen le Carpenter, Pagan le Taylour.

Port of Exmouth.

EDWARD III.

24 Council at West. Will. Hobbeson,

Borough

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EDWARD III.

6 P. at West. Rob. le Goldsmith, Rob. le Long.

Borough of Lideford.

EDWARD I.

28 P. at West. John le Porter, Geffry Pomeroy.
30 at London, John de Ledford, Walter Dacon.*Borough of Modbury.*

EDWARD I.

34 P. at West. John Ramlyn, Will. Wooland.

Borough of South-Moulton.

EDWARD I.

30 P. at West. Walter Doggell, Rob. Fullo.

Port of Teignemuth.

EDWARD III.

14 Council at West. Rob. atte Wille, Will. de Holcombe.

Borough of Chipping-Toryton.

EDWARD I.

23 P. at West. Rob. le Hyreys, Will. le Reade.
30 at Lond. Walter de Colelegh, Rob. Iyres.

EDWARD II.

4 P. at West. Rob. de la Mire, Roger Garworthy.
6 at West. Roger Durant, Hen. de Donne.

- 7 *P. at West.* Rob. Donne, Hen. Duraunt.
8 *at West.* Will. Godman *atte* More, Rob. Fishere.

EDWARD III.

- 4 *P. at* Winch. Will. Chayle, Will. Goldsmith.
4 *at West.* Will. Haillon, Rob. Goldsmith.
6 *at* York, Rob. Goldsmith, Ric. Laigge.
6 *at West.* Rob. Goldsmith, Ric. Lang.
9 *at* York, Walter Godwyne, Rob. *atte* Forst.
9 *at West.* Rob. Godman, Tho. Sabbin.
10 *Council at* Nottingham, Roger *atte* Attewere, John Cobbe.
11 *P. at West.* Ric. Duraunt, Ric. Esfley.
11 *at West.* Rob. Goldsmith, John Pinte.
12 *at West.* *Torn out.*
14 *at West.* Tho. Chagesly, John de Bayberry.
15 *at West.* John Baybury, Ric. Duraunt.
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19 } *at West.* *None Returned.*
20 }
21 *at West.* Laurence Preist, Walter Jurdayne.
22 *at West.* Ric. Duraunt, Hen. Crosse.
25 *at West.* John Molyns, Rob. de Hele.
26 *at West.* Hen. Percehay, Nic. Whyting.
29 *at West.* Rob. Haith, Tho. Moore.
31 *at West.* Tho. More, Rob. Hacche.
32 *at West.* Walter Corun, John Mille.
34 *at West.* John Proutz, Stephen Northwyk.
34 *at West.* John Proutz, Stephen Northwyk.
36 *at West.* John Aston.
37 *at West.* John Porel, Walter Stevenston.
38 *at West.* Stephen Northwyk, Hen. Calf.
42 *at West.* John Shepwaish, Ric. Bere.
43 *at West.* Hen. Calf, John Cross.
45 *at West.* *Torn out.*

Which last Borough having, as this Catalogue shews, made above thirty Returns, procur'd at length a Discharge from the farther Expence and Burthen of having Representatives; as no doubt several other Boroughs

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roughs did by the like President, which is here given at large, to shew the Form of exempting Boroughs, and the usual Complaints, in this Age, of the Sheriffs Arbitrariness in issuing out Writs; which, on the first Demand of Burgeses, seems, for the most Part, to be limited to his Discretion; his Power enabling him to summon any Place challenging the Privilege of being a Borough, according to the general Words of the Writ, which demands *duos Burgeses ex quolibet Burgo*, &c. But the Strictness of this seems rarely to have been put in Practice in any County; for soon after the first Summons of Representatives, *temp. Edward I*, the lesser Boroughs, tho' they had been induc'd some few Times to send, for the Generality got themselves finally excus'd by the Interest of their Lords with the Sheriff, or on Plea of Poverty, or some such Pretence; and divers others prevail'd with the Sheriff not to return them, insomuch, that *Anno 12 Edward II*, the Sheriff of Cornwall, after he had return'd Burgeses for *Launceston*, *Helston*, and *Bodmin*, adds, on the Back of the Writt, *Plures Burgi non sunt in Balliva mea*. And the Sheriffs of *Lancashire*, after the 4th of *Edward III*, return'd no Burgeses at all for that County; and several of them give this Reason, *That there were no Cities or Boroughs within that County, for which any Citizens or Burgeses ought, or were wont to come to the Parliament, for or by Reason of their Inability or Poverty*. Neither were any Burgeses sent afterwards from thence 'till *Edward* the

the Vith's Time; which I instance in, to confirm what I have said in the Preface of my first Volume, viz. that the Generality of Borough-Towns that could well decline it, industriously avoided sending Representatives; and having, after some few Elections, desisted sending, caus'd the Sheriff to omit summoning them for the future; and their growing indigent, and unable to pay the Expence of their Burgeses, or having none fit to chuse, might be just Grounds for their not being put to the Trouble and Charge of electing any; and as to others that had sent oftner, they, no doubt, as in the Case of Toriton, petition'd the King to be exonerated, setting forth it was to their manifest Damage and Depression, who thereupon granted their Petition, as we may judge from this memorable Charter here instanc'd.

Rex Ballivis & probis Hominibus, & toti Communitati Ville de Toriton, in Comitatu Devonix, Salutem. Ex parte vestra nobis est stratum, quod cum Villa prædicta ad mittendum aliquos homines pro eadem Villa ad Parliamenta nostra onerari non debeat, nec aliquos homines pro dictâ Villâ ad Parliamenta nostra, vel Progenitorum nostrorum quondam Regum Angliæ non miserit, nec mittere consueverit, ante Annum Regni nostri vicesimum primum, quo tempore Vicecomes noster Comitatus prædicti, qui tunc fuit, dictam Villam de Toriton Burgum, & duos Homines pro eodem Burgo, ad veniendum ad Parliamentum nostrum dicto Anno vicesimo tentum, summonitos fuisse malitiosè in Cancellariam nostram

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fram retornavit. Et sic eadem Villa de Toriton, ab eodem Anno viceffimo primo, ad inveniendum duos Homines pro eadem Villa in fingulis Annis Parliamentis noffris tentis, pratextu Retornati pradicti onerata extitit. Et vos ea Occafione Laboribus & Expensis multipliciter gravati fuiffis, ad veftrum dampnum non modicum & Depressionem manifeflam; fuper quo nobis fupplifcaftis vobis Remedium adhiberi oportunum. Et quia, fcrutatis Rotulis & Memorandis Cancellarie noffre, non eft compertum Nomina aliquorum Hominum pro dicta Villa, feu Burgo Toriton, ad veniendum ad Parliamenta noffra, ante dictum viceffimum primum retornata fuiffe: Nos nolentes dictam Villam de Toriton, Occafione pradicta indebitè onerari, vos, & Villam pradictam ad inveniendum feu mittendum aliquos Homines ad Parliamenta noffra, de cætero communis fummunionis Parliamentorum eorundem, habemus & tenemus excufatos: Et vos inde exoneramus per præfentes imperpetuum. In Cujus Rei Teftimonium, &c. Teffe Rege apud Weftm. 18 Die Maii.

It is to be obferv'd, that in this Petition fome Suggeftions are untrue; as, it not accufloming to fend 'till the 21ft of Edward III; and that there was no Record of its fending earlier: But this was common to alledge, when for their Purpofe. Our Hiftorians therefore, as may be argu'd from hence, build too peremptorily on general Words in fome

Dr. Hody's
Hiftory of
Convocati-
ons, p. 375.

Records, as my late learned Country-man, Dr. Hody, who would, from a Clause in Barnftaple Charter, have it, that that Ba-
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rough sent to Parliament even in King Athelstan's Time; and also from another Passage, *ibid.* p. 372. likewise insinuates, that every Market-Town formerly did so.

But besides these Boroughs before-mention'd, here are in this County divers other Places so distinguish'd, as I have before noted in the Beginning of this Treatise; and the Names of several of them so occur in *Risdon's Survey of Devonshire*, and *Dugdale's Baronage*, as also in *Records*; from whence they being extracted, I shall present the Reader with the Names whereby they are distinguish'd, not doubting but the Natives, especially such as are skill'd in the old Way of writing them, may easily guess at them, if any are much vary'd from their present common Appellation. These Places are, *Bampton*, *Bidiford*, *Chadlington*, *Chalveley*, *Cholmley*, *Cornworthy*, *Denbery*, *Hartland*, *Il-far-combe*, *Kenniford*, *Kingsbridge*, *Milverton*, *Newton-Abbas*, *Pepilford*, *Sampford-Peverel*, *Seal*, *Twikebere*, and *Tlabampton*.

That divers of these last continue Boroughs and Corporations, as are several in the former Catalogue, appears by their Charters now remaining in Force. The most considerable are, *Bidiford*, *Crediton*, *Southmolton*, and *Torrington*; all which Places, except *Crediton*, are Mayor-Towns; as is *Bradninch*, aliàs *Bradneysham*; and *South Molton* is farther remarkable, for having been appointed the See of a Suffragan Bishop, by Act of Parliament, *Anno* 26 *Henry VIII*; as is *Crediton*, for having been the ancient *Episcopal See* of this County, where

where ten Bishops resided, before the Removal of it to *Exeter*, as afore mention'd. Here is yet standing a very goodly and large Church, built Cathedral-wise, (being sixty seven Yards long, and proportionably broad and high) dedicated to the *Holy Cross*; which, at the Dissolution of *Monasteries*, was Collegiate, and had a *Dean and twelve Prebends*.

What I observe farther about this County, falling under the Boroughs sending to Parliament, I come now to give the Names of the Nobility it has dignify'd with Titles of Honour; to which more Persons have succeeded, from the Time of the Conquest, than in any other County in *England*, here being no less than twenty eight; half of which Number is reckon'd up, by *Risdon*, to have been *Dukes and Earls* of this Province before *William* the 1st's Reign; for an Account of which, I shall refer to the above-cited Author, and *Dugdale's Baronage*, as well as for a more particular History of the Earls, &c. since the said *William* the 1st's Time, where my Catalogue begins, in which I have only briefly touch'd on the Succession of these noble Persons.

*Risdon's
Survey of
Devon. Vol.
1. p. 133.*

*Camden's
Brit. p. 35.*

In the Beginning of the Norman Government, *William I.* created one *Baldwin Hereditary Viscount of Devonshire*, and *Baron of Okehampton*; to whom succeeded *Richard* his Son; who dying without Issue Male, *Henry I.* made *Richard de Redvers* Earl of *Devonshire*. He had Issue *Baldwin*, who was banish'd; but *Richard* his Son recover'd all his Father's Honours, and left behind him two Sons,

*Dugd. Bar.
Vol. 1. p.
254, 255,
256, 257.*

Sons, *Baldwin* and *Richard*, successively Earls of *Devon*. These dying without Issue, the Honour fell to their Uncle *William*, surnam'd *de Vernun*, from the Place of his Birth. He had a Son nam'd *Baldwin*, and he had a Son likewise nam'd *Baldwin*, whose Son and Heir, *Baldwin*, dying without Issue, the Title descended to his Sister *Isabell*, Wife to *William de Fortibus* Earl of *Albemarle*, who, *Dugd. Bar. Vol. 1. p. 64.* in her Right, enjoy'd the same; but dying without Issue surviving, King *Edward III.* *Ibidem, p. 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643.* by Letters Patent dated *February 22, Anno Regni 9,* created *Hugh Courtney*, descended from the Royal Line of *France*, and related to the former Earls of *Devon*, Earl of this County: In which noble Family this Title, for the most Part, flourish'd 'till the Year 1556; and no less than twelve of this Line were so dignify'd; tho' King *Edward IV.* *Anno 1469,* upon the Attainder of *Henry Courtney*, who oppos'd his coming to the Crown, granted this Earldom to *Humphry Lord Stafford* of *Southwick*, which he lost, *Ibid. p. 173.* with his Life, by Attainder the same Year. But about sixteen Years after, King *Henry VII* restor'd *Edward Courtenay* to his Ancestors Title; which his Grandson (created Marquess of *Exeter* by King *Henry VIII*) forfeited by Attainder in the thirtieth Year of his Reign. However, his Son had Restoration of all his Father's Honours given him by Queen *Mary*; but he did not long enjoy the same; for dying without Issue, *September 18,* (or, as some Accounts make it, *Oct. 4*) 1556, as abovemention'd, King *James* the

Dug. Bar.
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the First, forty six Years after, viz. July 23, 1603, made *Charles Blount*, Lord *Montjoy*, then Lord Deputy of Ireland, Earl of *Devon*; who deceasing April 3, 1606, without lawful Issue, the same Prince, Anno Reg. 16, by Letters Patent dated August 17, 1618, created *William Lord Cavendish*, Earl of *Devon*, (whom he had rais'd to the Dignity of Baron *Cavendish* of *Hardwick*, May 4, 1603, in the third Year of his Reign) whose Son and Grandson enjoy'd that Dignity, and his Great Grandson of the same Name succeeded; who was, by Letters Patent dated May 12, 1694, advanc'd by King *William III* to the farther Honour of Marquis of *Hartington*, and Duke of *Devonshire*. He departed this Life Anno 1707, and was bury'd among his Ancestors September 5, in the Church of *Allballows Derby*, being succeeded in all his Titles by his Son and Heir *William*, the present Duke.

The Number of Days allotted to the Knights and Burgeses of this Shire, repairing to, and returning from Parliaments and great Councils, at the Places where they were usually held, are as follows.

Pryn's
Brev. Parl.
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At *Cambridge* six Days, *Coventry* eight, *Gloucester* three and four, *Leicester* five, *London* and *Westminster* five, six, seven, and eight, *Northampton* six, in Snow or Rain, ten, *Nottingham* six and an half, *Sarum* three, *Winchester* three and five, *Tork* ten, eleven, and twelve.

EDWARD

EDWARD I.

- 18 *P.* at West. Rob de Woodeton, Andrew de Trellosk.
 22 at West. Rob. de Wodeton, Will, le Pruz.
 23 at Lond. Henry de Raleigh, Hugh de Prouz.
 26 at York, Will. de Umfrouvill, Will. de Chamber-
 noun.
 28 at West. Hen. de Ralegh, Nicolas de Kirkham.
 28 at Linc. Reginald de Ferrers, Rob. Beaupell.
 30 at West. Andrew Trollosk, Hugh de Ferrers.
 33 at West. Rob. Beaupel, Roger de Cokington.
 34 at West. Tho. de Ralegh, Roger de Kokington.
 35 at Carlisle, Roger le Cokington, Roger le Nonant.

EDWARD II.

- 1 *P.* at Northton. Roger de Nonant, Roger de Coking-
 ton.
 2 at West. Hen. de Chambernon, John de Bikebury.
 4 at Lond. Hen. de Chambernon, Stephen de Hat-
 combe.
 3 at West. Hen. de Chambernon, Stephen de Hat-
 combe.
 6 at West. Roger de Nonant, Nic. de Kirkham.
 6 at West. Nic. de Cheyney, Humphry de Beau-
 champ.
 7 at West. Humphry de Beauchamp, Roger de No-
 nant.
 8 at West. Nic. de Alneto, James de Oxton.
 8 at York, Ric. de Stapildone, Rob. Beaupel.
 9 at Linc. Nic. Dauney, John de Chalouns.
 10 Council at Linc. Ric. de Chissebech, Ralph de Brain-
 ford.
 12 *P.* at York, Rob. de Stokeheye, Ric. de Chusse-
 bech.
 16 at York, Rob. Bendyn, Ric. Chissebech.
 17 at West. Will. Hureward, Ric. Chissebech.
 18 at Lond. Ric. de Chambernon, Ric. de Chesebeche.
 19 at West. Roger le Jen, Ric. de Chissebech.

EDWARD III.

- 1 *P.* at West. John de Beaumont, Tho. de Cokington.

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- 1 *P. at* Linc. Will. de Chiverton, Vincent de Barnstaple.
- 2 *at* New Sarum, Matthew de Cranthorn, Walter de Swayntill.
- 2 *Treaty at* York, Matthew de Bokyngton, Walter de Sweyngetille.
- 2 *P. at* Northton. Will. de Chyvereston, Vincent de Barnstaple.
- 2 *at* York, Will. de Cheverifston, Vincent de Barnstaple.
- 4 *at* West. Will. de Chyvereston, John de Raleigh.
- 4 *at* Winch. Roger le Jen, Hen. Tyrel.
- 5 *at* West. Roger de Prideaux, Ric. de Chambernoa.
- 6 *at* West. Tho. de Cranthorne, Walter Sweynghill.
- 6 *at* West. Will. Bentley, Tho. de la Grave.
- 6 *at* West. Walter de Swengetil, Ralph Speek.
- 7 *at* York, Will. de Bentele, Tho. de la Grave.
- 8 *at* York, John de Raleigh, John de Chevereston.
- 9 *at* York, Will. de Alba Marchia, Tho. de Cranthorne de Brey.
- 10 *at* West. John de Raleigh, Ric. de Morton, jun.
- 10 *at* West. Tho. de Cranthorne, John Pococks.
- 11 *at* West. John de Chevereston, Matt. de Cranthorn.
- 11 *Council at* West. John de Raleigh, John Fraunceys.
- 11 *P. at* West. Will. de Tiverton, Walter de Sweynghill.
- 11 *at* West. Rob. de Stokeheye, Ric. de Chussebech.
- 12 *at* West. Will. de Tiverton, Walter de Sweynghill.
- 12 *Council at* Northton. Hamond de Diraworthy, Will. de Tiverton.
- 13 *P. at* West. Hamond de Diraworthi, Will. de Tiverton.
- 13 *at* West. Oliver de Dyneham, Walter de Sweynghill.
- 14 *at* West. Tho. de Cranthorne, Adam Branscombe.
- 14 *at* West. John de Ralee de Hagyn-ton, Thomas de Cranthorn.
- 14 *at* West. Will. de Cheverestone, Rob. de Curwes.
- 14 *at* West. Roger de Novant, Ric. de Chissebech.
- 14 *at* West. Rob. Bendyn, Will. Hereward.
- 15 *at* West. John de Ferrers, Will. de Chambernon.
- 17 *at* West. John Bird, Ralph de Shyllyngford.
- 18 *at* West. Rob. de Cruwes, Walter de Sweinghull.
- 20 *at* West. John de Chuddeleghe, Rob. de Lucy.
- 21 *at* West. Adam de Crankefcombe, Tho. Grene.
- 22 *at* West. Rob. de Forde, Nic. Whityng.

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- 22 P. at West. Adam de Brankescombe, Tho. Grene.
- 24 at West. Roger Piperel, Nic. Whiting.
- 25 at West. Roger Piperel, Nic. Whiting.
- 26 at West. Hen. Percehay, Nic. Whityng.
- 26 Council at West. Hen. Percehay.
- 27 at West. Rob. de Chufelden.
- 28 P. at West. Nic. Whityng, Elias Wilde.
- 29 at West. Ric. de Chufelden, Rob. de Kirkham.
- 31 at West. John de Ferrers, Hen. de Persay.
- 31 at West. John de Ferrers, Rob. Corim.
- 34 at West. John Loterell, Rob. Weye.
- 34 at West. Hen. Percehaye, Nic. Whityng.
- 36 at West. John Cary, Will. Cary.
- 37 at West. Ric. de Stapeldon, John Loterell.
- 38 at West. John Daubernon, Will. de Brightlegh.
- 40 at West. John de Ferrers, John Dabernonn.
- 42 at West. John Cary, Will. Cary.
- 43 at West. Ric. de Merton, Rob. Corun.
- 45 at West. Will. Bonevyle, Roger Nywent.
- 45 Council at Winchester, Roger Newent.
- 46 P. at West. Will. Luscote, Ric. Chufelden.
- 47 at West. Ric. Stapeldon, John Ferrers de Chircheton.
- 50 at West. John Beaumont, Chlr. Will. Boneville.
- 51 at West. Will. Asthorp, Tho. Courteney.

RICHARD II.

- 1 P. at West. Tho. de la Pomeray, Martin Ferreres.
- 2 at Glouc. John de Beaumont, Will. de Bonevill.
- 2 at West. John Beaumont, Chlr. Will. Bonevill, Chlr.
- 3 at West. John Beaumont, Chlr. John Daumarle, Chlr.
- 4 at Northton. Will. Bonevill, Chlr. John Daumarle, Chlr.
- 5 at West. Will. Bonevill, James Chuddeleghe.
- 5 at West. Will. Bonevill, Chlr. James de Chuddeleghe, Chlr.
- 6 at West. Will. Bonevill, Chlr. Alex. Merle.
- 6 at West. John de Courteney, Chlr. Ivo Fitz Waryn, Chlr.
- 6 at West. Phil. de Courteney, John Fitz Waryn.
- 7 at West. John Prideaux, Rob. Coryn.
- 7 at New Sarum, Will. Bonvill, James de Chuddeleghe.

8 P.

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- 8 P. at West. James de Chuddeleghe, *Chlr.* Rob. Corum.
 9 at West. John Streeche, John Pauler.
 10 at West. Phil. Courtenay, John Streeche.
 11 at West. Phil. de Courtenay, *Chlr.* John Prideaux.
 12 at Camb. John Streeche, *Chlr.* John Greyneville.
 13 at West. Phil. Courtenay, *Chlr.* James Chudlegh,
Chlr.
 14 at West. James de Chuddeleghe, *Chlr.* John Prescote.
 15 at West. James Chudlegh, *Chlr.* Will. Esturmy, *Chlr.*
 16 at Winchester, Phil. Courtenay, *Chlr.* James Chud-
 legh, *Chlr.*
 17 at West. John Grenevil, *Chlr.* James Chudlegh, *Chlr.*
 18 at West. Philip Courtenay, *Chlr.* Hugh Courtenay,
Chlr.
 20 at West. Will. Bonevill, *Chlr.* James Greynevill.
 21 at West. Hugh de Courteney, *Chlr.* Will. Bonevill.

HENRY IV.

- 1 P. at West. Phil. Courtenay, *Chlr.* John Streaker.
 2 at West. Phil. Courtenay, *Chlr.* John Wadham, *Chlr.*
 3 at West. Will. Bonevill, *Chlr.* John Greyneville, *Chlr.*
 5 at West. Tho. Pomeray, *Chlr.* Edmund Pyn.
 6 at Coventry, Will. Esturmy, *Chlr.* Walter Reynald.
 8 at West. Hugh Luterell, *Chlr.* Tho. Pomerey, *Chlr.*
 9 at Glouc. Hugh Lutterell, *Chlr.* Rob. Cary.
 12 at West. Rob. Cary, Edmund Pyn.

HENRY V.

- 1 P. at West. Tho. Pomeray, Rob. Cary.
 2 at West. Ric. Hankeford, John Arundell.
 3 at West. Ric. Hankeford, Rob. Cary.
 5 at West. Rob. Carey, John Cole.
 8 at West. Hugh Lutterell, Rob. Cary.
 8 at West. Rob. Chalons, *Chlr.* Tho. Lerchedekns.
 9 at West. John Copleston, Hen. Forteson.

HENRY VI.

- 1 P. at West. Will. Bonevill, *Chlr.* Rob. Cary.
 2 at West. Ric. Hankeford, John Cole.
 3 at West. Will. Bonevill, Rob. Cary.
 4 at Leic. Rob. Carey, John Chuddeleghe.

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- 5 P. at West. Phil. Courtenay, Will. Bonevill.
 8 at West. James Chuddeleigh, John Bampfeild.
 9 at West. James Chuddeleigh, Ric. Holand.
 13 at West. John Coppleston, Nic. Bedeford.
 15 at Camb. John Speke. Roger Champernoun.
 20 at West. Tho. Carminow, Rob. Hill.
 25 at Camb. Tho. Wise, Will. Hinderston.
 27 at West. Will. Hinderston, John Anstell.
 28 at West. Will. Hinderston, John Hacche.
 29 at West. Tho. Wise, Will. Hinderston.
 31 at Reading, Walter Raleigh, Walter Reynell.
 33 at West. Phil. Courteney, Kt. Rob. Vere, Kt.

EDWARD IV.

- 7 P. at West. Will. Blount, Will. Vernon.
 12 at West. Nic. Longford, James Blount.
 17 at West. Cha. Dynham, John Courteney.

The Writs, Returns, and Indentures, from
 17 Edw. IV, to 33 Hen. VIII, are all lost
 throughout *England*; and those of this Coun-
 ty, *tempore Edw. VI*, are missing.

EDWARD VI.

- 1 P. at West.
 6 at West.

MARY.

- 1 P. at West. Peter Carew, Kt. Tho. Dennys, Kt.
 1 at Oxford, John Chichester, Kt. John Prideaux, Esq;

PHILIP & MARY.

- & 2 P. at West. James Bassett, James Courtney, Esqs;
 & 3 at West. James Bassett, Esq; Rob. Dennys, Esq;
 & 5 at West. James Bassett, Esq; Geo. Kirkham, Esq;

ELIZABETH.

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- 1 P. at West.
 5 at West. John Chichester, Kt. Gawin Carew, Kt.
 13 at West. John St. Leger, Kt. Peter Edgcombe, Esq;
 14 at West. John St. Leger, Kt. Arthur Bassett, Esq;
 27 at West. Will. Courtney, Kt. Walter Rawleigh, Esq;
 28 at West. Walter Rawleigh, Kt. John Chudleigh, Esq;
 31 at West. Will. Courtney, Kt. Geo. Cary of Cock-
 ington, Esq;
 35 at West. Tho. Dennys, Kt. Edw. Seymer, Esq;
 39 at West. Will. Stroud, Esq; Amias Barnar.
 43 at West. Will. Courtney, sen. Kt. Edw. Seymour, Esq;

JAMES I.

- 1 P. at West. Tho. Ridgewaie, Kt. Edw. Seymour, Esq;
 12 at West.
 18 at West. Edw. Seymour, Kt. & Bart. John Drake, Esq;
 21 at West. Will. Strode, Kt. John Drake, Esq;

CHARLES I.

- 1 P. at West. Fra. Fulford, Kt. Francis Courtney, Esq;
 1 at West. John Drake, Esq; John Pole, Esq;
 3 at West. John Bampffield, Esq; Francis Drake, Bart.
 15 at West. Tho. Wise, Esq; Edw. Seymour, Esq;
 16 at West. Edw. Seymour, Esq; Nathaniel Rolle, Kt.
 Nic. Martin, Esq;

CHARLES II.

- 12 P. at West. George Monck, General, John Northcott, Bart.
 † In his 13 at West. † Hugh Pollard, Kt. & Bart. John Rolle, Kt.
 Place, de- 31 at West. Edw. Seymour, Esq; Will. Courtenay, Bart.
 ceas'd, 31 at West. Will. Courtenay, Bart. Sam. Rolle, Esq;
 Copleston 32 at Oxf. Will. Courtenay, Bart. Sam. Rolle, Esq;
 Bampfieild
 Kt.

JAMES II.

- 1 P. at West. Bourchier Wray, Bart. Copleston Bamp-
 field, Bart.

WILLIAM

WILLIAM & MARY.

1 *P.* at West. Boughier Wray, Bart. Copleston Bampf-
field, Bart.

2 at West. Fra. Courtney, Esq; Sam Rolle, Esq;

WILLIAM III.

7 *P.* at West. Fra. Courtenay, Esq; Sam. Rolle, Esq;

10 at West. * Fra. Courtenay, Esq; Sam. Rolle, Esq;

12 at West. Will. Courtenay, Esq; Sam. Rolle, Esq;

13 at West. John Pole, Bart. Will. Courtenay, Esq;

ANNE.

1 *P.* at West. Will. Courtenay, Bart. Rob. Rolle, Esq;

4 at West. Will. Courtenay, Bart. Rob. Rolle, Esq;

7 at West. Will. Courtenay, Bart. Rob. Rolle, Esq;

9 at West. || Will. Pole, Bart. John Rolle, Esq;

12 at West. Will. Courtenay, Bart. Coplestone War-
wick Bampfild, Bart.

* In his
Place, de-
ceas'd,
Thomas
Drewe,
Esq;

|| In his
Place, made
Master of
the House-
hold, Will.
Courtenay
Bart.



CITY



CITY OF EXETER.



HERE having been several Accounts publish'd of this City, viz. one by *Richard Hooker*, alias *Vowell*, printed in *Hollinshead's Chronicle*, Vol. 3. p. 1007, and continu'd to p. 1028, comprising the *Antiquity, Foundation, and Building of the Cathedral Church of St. Peter's*; wherein is also exhibited, from pag. 1300, to pag. 1310, a *Catalogue of the Bishops of this See, from the Year 905, to 1578*; and since that Time, there having been divers other Descriptions given us, as already hinted, particularly by *Izack*, Anno 1677, who furnishes us, by Way of Annals, from the Year 1200, viz. *second of King John, to the Year 1676, 27 Charles II, with a List of the Mayors*, and therein includes several remarkable Occurrences and Memorials during their respective Mayoralties, relating to this City; which much illustrates its *Antiquities*; and also there being prefix'd, before this List,

List, a Map of Exeter, and its Suburbs, with the Arms and Motto's of the thirteen incorporated Companies belonging to the same; together with the Arms of all the Bishops, from the Erection of the Bishoprick here, to the Year 1676 aforesaid; with the Dates of their Consecrations, Counties where born, Time of Government, and Places of Burial; with Lists of the Records, Sheriffs, and Chamberlains of this City, &c. with the Arms and Names of all the Sheriffs of Devonshire, from the first Year of Henry II, viz. 1155, to the Year in which this Book was publish'd: Which, forasmuch as it contains several nice and curious Remarks, not elsewhere to be met with, (notwithstanding here are divers useless and trivial Observations) cannot but be acceptable to the Curious: And besides what these Authors have said, there being several other Things relating to this City repeated by Camden, Risdon, &c. I shall decline, as much as possible, mentioning any Thing therein given; and, referring to them, confine my self chiefly to what is not already mention'd; recommending more particular Accounts to Persons whose Designs are more extensive than mine; in which I shall, for the Generality, limit my self, and exhibit what Observations occur'd remarkable to me as a Traveller; which, if in some small Circumstances not so exact as might have been, I hope the Reader will judge favourable of them, I having, at the Time I took them three Years ago, no other View than satisfying my private Curiosity, and then never intending to make them public;

lick: These Considerations, I hope, will be a sufficient Apology for the brief Account I shall give of *Exeter*, which is a City of great Antiquity; and has all along, (as far as our Histories go) even from the original Accounts we have of this Island, been of eminent Note in the Times of the *Britains*, *Romans*, *Saxons*, *Danes*, and *Normans*; and that it still remains one of the principal Cities of the Kingdom, is evident from its good Building, Wealth, Largeness, and Number of Inhabitants at this Day, it being reputed the fifth or sixth City in *England*. It is seated pleasantly on the *East* Side of the River *Ex*, (which denominates it) and encompass'd with a Ditch and Walls, has five principal Gates, besides some lesser, and several Turrets. It is in Compass about a Mile and half without the Gates, not including the Suburbs, which extend a great Distance from every Quarter.

Camden's
Brit. b. 30.

The City consists of four chief Streets, one of which, nam'd the *Higb-Street*, for Spaciousness and good Building, is scarce to be equall'd in any other in *England*, besides *London*. In the *East* Quarter lies the *Cathedral*, which is furrounded with pleasant Walks and good Houses, and has within its Circuit several Gates, that, as it were, separate it from the rest of the Town. In the *North* Part is the Castle, call'd *Rugemont*; which Name it receives from the red Earth whereon it stands: It is famous for having been heretofore the Seat of the *Saxon* Kings; and since the Conquest, of the Earls of *Cornwall*,

Wall, which at present is all it can boast of, little remaining, save the outward Walls; within the Circuit hereof are convenient Edifices erected for keeping the Assizes for the County, this being establish'd the Shire-Town of Devon, and the Place where the Quarter-Sessions are held; and the Sheriff keeps his Shire-Court. As to other publick Buildings, viz. the neat Conduit, (of which there is a Draught in Risdon) and the City-Halls, &c. I shall omit speaking of them, and only give the Names of the Parish-Churches, with a Survey of the Cathedral, and some Extracts of Charters; and conclude my Account with the Names of the Nobility that have born Titles of Honour from hence.

As to the Churches, here are (besides the Cathedral) reckon'd up in the City, and Suburbs adjoining to it, twenty; of which Number sixteen stand within the Walls, viz. *Allballows Goldsmith-Street, Allballows on the Wall, St. Edmonds, St. George, St. John's, St. Keryan's, St. Martin's, St. Mary Arches, St. Mary in the Moor, St. Mary Stepps, St. Olave's, St. Pancras, St. Paul's, St. Petrock's, St. Stephen's, and Trinity Churches.* In the Suburbs, and adjoining to them, are, *St. David's, St. Leonard's, St. Sidwell's, and St. Thomas's.* If we look into the Dedication of these Churches, *Cressy's Church History, p. 194.* *St. Keryan's* seems to have been dedicated to an *Irish* Saint of that Name, call'd also *St. Piran*, who came into these Parts about the Year 460, and lies bury'd at *Bodmin*; and *Ibidem, p. 594.* *St. Sidwell*, from *Sidwella*, (Sister to *St. Futh-*

*Newcourt's
Repertori-
um Eccle-
siastic.
of the Dio-
cese of Lon-
don, Vol. 1.
p. 517, &c.*

wara, a celebrated Virgin-Martyr in this County) who liv'd about the Year 740, and was bury'd at *Exeter*, in this Church of her Name. *St. Pancras* from, one *Pancras*, a Nobleman of *Pbrygia*, who suffer'd under *Dioclesian* at *Rome*, where, and also in and near *London*, several Churches being dedicated to him, I shall forbear repeating any farther of his History, or of those other Saints above-mention'd, (Accounts of them occurring in *Newcourt*, and most of our Antiquaries) and proceed to speak of this goodly Cathedral; of which I shall only oblieve, in general, that 'tis a most neat and curious Building, and very decently kept; to some Description of which I shall confine my self, especially of the Inside, there being several Draughts of the outward Prospects, whereto I may refer, so shall only add, that it is a very uniform Building, and strongly vaulted throughout both the Body and Isles, and has, at the Extremities of the *Transeptum*, or Cross-Isle, from *North* to *South*, two handsome strong Towers; in one of which, on the *North* Side, hangs a very large Clock-Bell, the biggest in the Kingdom except two, viz. those of *Oxford* and *Lincoln*; and in the other, in the *South* Side, is the largest Ring of ten Bells rung in any Peal of that Number. That the Position of these Towers is different from those belonging to other Cathedrals, I need not say, the rest having Towers, or Spires, at the *West* Front, or Middle, or in both Places; tho' it must be confess'd, that this Difference does not take from the

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Regularity of the Church, which, in the Neatness of its Body, or Nave, is second to few in *England*: It is adorned with several Monuments, in Relation to which our Authors being wholly silent, as they are to the Dimensions of the Church, I hope the following Accounts of them will not be altogether unacceptable to the Reader. The Length of the Church, with the Lady's Chapel at the *East* End (now converted into a Library) is 372 Feet, the Particulars of which I took thus, viz. from the *West* Door to the Choir-Entrance 168 Feet, Length of the Choir to the High Altar 123 Feet, and from thence to the End of the Lady-Chapel (or Library, to which Use it now serves) 81 Feet; Breadth of the Body of the Church and Side-Isles 72 Feet, which, I presume, is the Height from the Area, or Pavement, to the Top of the Stone-Work or Inside-Roof; Length of the great Cross-Isle, from *North* to *South*, 135 Feet, which seems to be answerable to the Height of the Towers aforesaid, tho' that on the *North* Side, in which the great Bell hangs, having a Cupilo of Lead on it, is about 30 Feet higher than the other, computing the Cupilo which arises from the Top of the Tower.

As to the Monuments, there are in the Library, anciently St. *Mary's* Chapel, two good ones of Judge *Dodderidge* and his Lady, whose Inscriptions see in *Prince's Worthies of Devon*: And below it, at the *East* End of the Church, are, in Chapels, others, of Sir *Peter Carew*, Bishop *Stafford*, and Sir *Tho. Speke* of *White*.

White-Lakington, Co. Somerset. On the North Side of the Choir are those of Sir Ric. Stapleton, and Bishop Stapleton, Bishop Marshall, Dean Lacy, and Bishop Carew; and on the South Side, of Bishop Brounscombe, Sir John Gilbert, Bishop Ouldbam, Humpbry Bobun Earl of Hereford, the Lord Chichester, and Bishop Cotton; and near them are likewise those of Bishop Bitton, Bishop Alley, and Bishop Brewer; and in the Body of the Church are the Monuments of Hugh Courtenay Earl of Devon, (whody'd Anno 1377) and his Lady, and of Bishop Brentingbam; and under the South Tower, of Leofrick first Bishop of Exeter. Besides whom, divers other Bishops of Exeter were bury'd here, in all about 24; for farther Accounts of them the Reader may consult Godwin, &c. where he will see how they have become Benefactors to this Church, particularly in one of them, who built the Episcopal Chair, which is the most beautiful and stately of any that I have seen, its Canopy being near as high as the Top of the Cathedral, which I now leave off discoursing of, and proceed to speak of the City-Privileges, in which, to go no farther back than the Norman Invasion, there were reckon'd in *Doomsday-Book*, 315 Houses belonging to the King, whereof 48 were destroy'd: And, as this Survey sets forth, Exeter did not then geld, or pay Tax, but when London, York, and Winchester did. Since which Time it has had several Charters successively confirm'd by most of our Kings, (as may be seen in *Izacke*) many of whom have honour'd it with their Royal Presence. This City

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City is a County of it self, and govern'd by a Mayor, twenty four Aldermen, and other Sub-Officers; and has from the Beginning sent Members to Parliament, who are chosen by the Magistrates and Freemen, being in Number 1200, as I am inform'd.

The Corporation enjoys great Revenues; as the Royalty of the City and Manor of Exilond, lying and being in the Parish of St. Thomas in the Suburbs, with certain Lands thereto belonging in St. Edmund's and St. Mary Stepp's Parish, which last Manor was granted to them by King Edward VI, after the Attainder of Henry Courtenay Marquis of Exeter, whose before it was. If we look back, temp. Hen. I, the Fee-Farm Rents of this City, as appears by its Charters, were granted to Maud the King's Consort; and in King John's Time, Isabell his Consort held Exeter in Dower, with a Fair thereto belonging. And in the third Year of his Reign, the Burgesses paid a Fine of 110 Marks for a Confirmation of their Charters, &c. they being then, I presume, incorporated, and this made a Mayor-Town, tho' Izacks would have them so establish'd the Year before, and thence takes Occasion to boast, that this Place was govern'd by a Mayor before London. In the Reign of Edward I, the Burgesses and Citizens of Exeter pleaded that their City was ancient Demesne, and that they held it in Fee-Farm of the Crown, paying 39 l. 15 s. 3 d. To support which Claim, they refer'd to Henry the III's Charter, made to his Brother Richard King of the Romans, the King's Uncle; whereby they

R. Pat.
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1 Hen. 1.

R. Cart.
An. 5. Johannis, m. 5.
Madox's
Hist. of the
Exchequer,
p. 262.

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Assis. apud
Exon, A. 9.
incip. 10
E. 1.

Rot. Pat.
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they farther challeng'd Return of Writs, a Gallows, Pillory, &c. and a Fair of four Days, beginning the first of August, besides three weekly Markets, viz. on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays; which Liberties they certify'd they enjoy'd ever since the Time of the Conquest; upon which they were allow'd. To go lower, In Edw. the II^d's Time, Pierce Gaveston had, by that King's Gift, by Patent dated August 6, the Fee-Farm Rents of this City, payable by the Citizens; which, by Patent dated Oct. 3, 7 & 8 Edw. III, were granted to that King's Brother, John of Eltham Earl of Cornwall, and afterwards to his Son, the Duke of Cornwall; to whose Successors it hath since, and does, or did lately, belong, and was held by the Citizens, on Payment of a certain Rent.

As to later Charters, they being taken Notice of in Izacke, and an Account publish'd by him of the Reception this loyal City gave to his Sacred Majesty King Charles the Martyr, I forbear repeating them, and proceed to close up my Account of it from Leland, whose valuable Remarks (notwithstanding some few Copies of them are printed for the Rarity of the Impression) may deservedly be transmitted to Posterity, as well as for the Authentickness and Exactness of them, to confirm other publish'd Histories. This great Antiquary, speaking of Exeter, informs us,

Leland's
Itin. Vol. 3.
p. 37, 38.

" That 'tis a good Mile and more in Compass, and is strongly wall'd, and has divers fair Towers in the Town-Wall, betwixt the South, and West Gates; and that
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" here are four Gates, call'd *East*, *West*,
 " *North*, and *South*; of which the *East* and
 " *West* are the fairest, but the *South* Gate
 " the strongest. The Castle of *Exeter* stand-
 " eth on a high Ground, betwixt the *East*
 " Gate and the *North*; and there be divers
 " fair Streets in *Exeter*; but the high Street,
 " that goeth from the *West* to the *East* Gate,
 " is the fairest; and that in this Street be
 " *Castella*, *Aqueductus*, and *Domus Civica*; and
 " that there are fifteen Churches within the
 " Town; and the Cemiterie of the Cathe-
 " dral Church of *St. Peter* and *Paul* has four
 " Gates, and is environ'd with very fair
 " Houses; and that the College-House where
 " the Chantry-Priests lie, was made of late
 " by *John Rhese*, Dean of *St. Burians*; and
 " that here is a Vicar's College, and a Car-
 " narie-Chapel, made in the Cemiterie, by
 " one *John*, a Treasurer of the Cathedral
 " Church of *Exeter*; and that there was a
 " Priory of *St. Nicolas*, on the *North* Side
 " of the Town, a Cell to *Battel-Abby*; and
 " that Bishop *John de Grandisono* made an
 " Hospital of *St. John* by the *East* Gate, and
 " endow'd it; and that there was another
 " Hospital in the Town, and a House of
 " Grey Fryars, betwixt the *North* and *West*
 " Gate, which was remov'd by Bishop *Ryt-*
 " *ton* without the *South* Gate; and that
 " without the Cathedral, close on the *North*
 " Side the Cemiterie, was an House of Black
 " Fryars, where the Lord *Ruffel* had made
 " him a fair Place; and near it were plac'd,
 " in the Town-Wall, two Fragments of Ro-

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“ *man* Antiquities; and that *St. Sithewell's*
 “ Suburb, so call'd from a Church of her
 “ Name, where she was bury'd, without
 “ the *East Gate*, was the biggest Suburb;
 “ and without the *North Gate* is a Suburb,
 “ call'd *St. David's Down*; and without the
 “ *West Gate* a Suburb, call'd *St. Thomas's Su-*
 “ burb, where was a great Stone Bridge of
 “ fourteen Arches over *Ex*; and that with-
 “ out the *South Gate* was a Suburb, call'd
 “ *Magdalen Suburb*; (where was, no Doubt,
 “ a Church or Chapel so dedicate.)

Leland's I-
tin. Vol. 3.
p. 41, 42.

The same Author, in Relation to the Ca-
 thedral, tells us, “ That it remain'd, after
 “ the Time of *Leofrick*, in the same Rate,
 “ or Fashion, as begun, to the Time of *Pe-*
 “ *ter*, the first Bishop of that Name, who
 “ begun the new Cathedral, and levy'd a
 “ Subsidy of the Clergy to the setting for-
 “ ward of it; and that Bishop *John de*
 “ *Grandisono* enlarg'd the *West Part*, and
 “ made seven Arches where there were but
 “ five; and turn'd an Alms-House, where
 “ there were twelve poor Men, and as ma-
 “ ny Women, call'd the *Calendar Brethren*,
 “ to the Use of the Lodgings of the Vicars
 “ Choral; and that Bishop *Brentingham* fi-
 “ nish'd this College in Building; and that
 “ Bishop *Stapleton* vaulted the Presbytery,
 “ (or Altar Part) and made the rich Front
 “ of Stone of the High Altar, and Silver
 “ Table in the Middle of it; and that Bi-
 “ shop *Nevill* made the Chapter-House, tho'
 “ some say Bishop *Lacy* begun it, and *Ne-*
 “ *vill* perform'd it.

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But besides the Cathedral, and those other religious Houses afore spoken of, here was a Monastery of St. James, founded about the Year 1146, by Baldwin de Riveris; the Revenues of which were valu'd, 26 Hen. VIII, at 502 l. 12 s. 9 d. and a Benedictine Nunnery, dedicated to St. Catherine; and a Priory of Canons of St. John Baptist, built by Gilbert and John Long, Merchants of Exeter, rated, at the Suppression, at 102 l. 12 s. 9 d.

Tanner's
Notit. Mon.
ast. p. 45.

Ibidem,
p. 50.

Ibidem,
p. 47.

That this Town was noted for Coinage of Money, and being a Staple Town, may yet be seen among our Acts of Parliament; and that it was one of our minting Towns twenty Years ago, appears by the many Pieces of Silver coin'd by King William III, distinguish'd by having the Letter E under the King's Bust on the Shillings, &c. And this being the noted Emporium of the West, here are settled several Printers; and divers Books have been lately here printed, particularly Prince's large Folio of the Worthies of Devon, and Agate's excellent Octavo against the Dissenters.

Touching Titles of Nobility, which is the last Thing I am to speak of, I may add, that this City has given more of various Distinctions, and to different Families, than any other that I know. It has had its Dukes, Marquisses, and Earls. The first was John Holland Earl of Huntingdon, created Duke of Exeter by his Half-Brother King Richard II. But his Successor, King Henry IV, depriv'd him of this Honour, which Henry V bestow'd

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16. p. 127.

on *Thomas Beaufort* Marquis of *Dorset*; who dying without Issue, *John Holland*, Son of *John* beforemention'd, by Bounty of *Henry VI* was restor'd to the Possession of all his Father's Titles, in which he was succeeded by his Son *Henry*, who liv'd in great Plenty till the Accession of *Edward IV* to the Crown, when he was reduc'd to such Want, that he is reported to have begg'd his Bread, ragged and bare-footed, in the *Low Countries*. Long after this *Exeter* had its *Marquisses*, viz. *Henry Courtenay* Earl of *Devon*, descended from *Catherine* Daughter of *Edward IV*, so created by *Henry VIII*, and afterwards for Treason beheaded; whose Son *Edward*, restor'd by Queen *Mary* to all his Father's Honours, dying without Issue, the Title became extinct, till King *James I*, May 4, 1605, in the third Year of his Reign, conferr'd the Title of Earl of *Exeter* on *Thomas Cecill* Lord *Burleigh*, in whose Family it has remain'd for above these hundred Years, and is at present enjoy'd by the Right Honourable *John Cecill*, a Gentleman of extraordinary Endowments, the sixth Earl of this House. However, according to some Accounts, there were Earls of *Exeter* before the *Cecills*; and it is plain some of the noble Family of the *Radvers*, Earls of *Devon*, were, on Account of their chief Residence at *Exeter*, stil'd Earls thereof.

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EDWARD I.

23 P. at West. *Walter de Longeden*, *Tho. Fartheyn*, *Martin Scor.*

26 at York, *Tho. Farthing*, *Alex. Territon.*

- 8 P. at Linc. Tho. Bockerell, * Nicolas Page.
 10 at Lond. Will. de Curfwill, Philip de Henton.
 13 at West. Nicolas Page, Walter de Langden.
 14 at West. Will. de Heywode, Walter de Langedon.
 15 at Carlisle, Matt. de Crouthorn, Will. le Barber.

* In his
Place, in-
firm, Tho.
de Far-
thing.

EDWARD II.

- 1 P. at Northton. Roger Bebyn, Walter de Langedene.
 2 at West. Philip Deauband, David de Servington.
 4 at West. Will. de Curfwill, Tho. Fartheyn.
 5 at West. Walter de Sweyngtill, Tho. Gervais.
 6 at West. Will. Biglegh, Will. Marrers.
 7 at West. Tho. Gerveys, Richard Gray.
 12 at York, Matthew de Cranthorn, John Pomeray.

EDWARD III.

- 2 P. at Northton. John Snoublank, Roger de Mares-
chal.
 4 at Winch. Hen. Houghton, John Tayler.
 4 at West. Tho. Cranthorne, Tho. Whyelegh.
 6 at West. John de Bretton, Roger le Marescall.
 6 at York, Tho. Cranthorne, John Breweton.
 6 at West. Rob. de Lucy, Roger le Mareschall.
 7 at York, Tho. Cranthorne, John Breweton.
 8 at West. Rob. Lucy, Roger Marescall.
 9 at York, Roger Marescall, Geoffrey Exeter.
 10 Council at Nottingham, Richard Plegh, Roger atte
Hamme.
 10 P. at West. Rob. de Lucy, Roger le Mareschall.
 11 at West. Rob. de Lucy, Will. le Doane.
 13 at West. Ric. Donne, Roger Wenlock.
 13 Council at West. John Fraunceyes, Ric. Beauchamp,
John Pocock.
 2 P. at West. Will. de Donne, Roger Wenlock.
 2 at West. Will. atte Poole, Hamon le Fitz Robert.
 4 at West. Ralph de Spek, Rob. de Brideport.
 4 at West. Tho. le Fitz Macheu.
 4 at West. Matthew de Cranthorne, Rob. de Bride-
port.
 4 at West. Will. Stapleton, Matthew Cranthorne.
 5 at West. Roger le Tesseckere, Rob. Bluminstre.
 7 at West. Hen. le Tirell, Tho. le Kenne.

- 21 P. at West. Nic. Whiting, Rob. Cranthorne.
 22 at West. Tho. le Spicer, John Beynyn.
 23 at West. Nic. Whytting, Rob. de Cranthorn.
 24 at West. Rob. Whittingum, Rob. Guminstre.
 25 at West. Nic. Whyting, Rob. Bruminstre.
 26 at West. Tho. le Spicer, Simon atte Pitte.
 27 Council at West. Rob. de Brideport, Rob. de Houghton.
 28 P. at West. Nic. Noble, Will. Wyke.
 29 at West. Rob. de Hughton, Rob. Brideport.
 31 at West. Will. Wyke, Rob. Hughton.
 34 at West. Will. Wyke, John Holte.
 34 at West. Will. Wyke, John Prestcote.
 36 at West. Will. Wyke, John Halle.
 37 at West. Will. Wyke, John Prestcote.
 38 at West. John Bosoun, John Prestcote.
 39 at West. No Return.
 40 at West. Will. Wyke, John Gray.
 42 at West. Roger Prent, John Prestcote.
 43 at West. John Hulle, John Bosoun.
 45 Council at Winchester, John Bosoun.
 46 P. at West. John Hall, John Bosoun.
 47 at West. John Hall, John Bosoun.
 50 at West. Peter Hedele, John Bosoun.

RICHARD II.

- 1 P. at West. Rob. Wilford, John Gray.
 2 at Gloucester, Peter Cadlow, Ric. Kearnrgg.
 3 at West. John Grey, John Talbot.
 4 at Northton. John Hulle, Tho. Cudye.
 5 at West. Adam Scot, Tho. Raymund.
 6 at West. Walter Dagevill, Will. Northern.
 6 at West. John Womard, Andrew Red.
 7 at New Sarum, John Wourard, John Churchehp.
 8 at West. Peter Haddeleggh, Rob. Stoke.
 9 at West. John Grey, Ric. Gold.
 11 at West. John Reymund, Peter Hadlegh.
 12 at Cambridge, Peter Hadle, Adam Cridie.
 13 at West. Adam Golde, Will. Frye.
 15 at West. John Grey, Will. Fry.
 16 at Winch. John Gray, Rob. Cobbe.
 18 at West. John Grey, Will. Wilford.
 20 at West. Will. Wilford, John Grey.

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HENRY IV.

- 1 P. at West. Adam Scurr, John Goscombe.
- 2 at West. Roger Gold, Will. Morehay.
- 3 at Gloucester, Will. Morehay, Nic. Clerk.
- 4 at West. Ric. Raymon, John Shaplegh.
- 5 at West. Will. Milford, John Lake.

HENRY V.

- 1 P. at West. Ric. Bafon, John Pollow.
- 2 at Leic. John Wilford, John Staplegh, jun.
- 3 at West. Roger Gold, John Wilford.
- 4 at West. Roger Gold, Rob. Vessey.
- 5 at West. John Sheplegh, Tho. Cook.
- 6 at Glouc. Ric. Pimmock, Roger Gold.
- 7 at West. John Sheplegh, Ric. Cresc.
- 8 at West. John Sheplegh, Roger Shillingford.

HENRY VI.

- 1 P. at West. Rob. Vessey, John Cook.
- 2 at West. John Caller, John Bottiler.
- 3 at West. John Sheplegh, John Salfer.
- 4 at Leic. John Shappelegh, John Salter.
- 5 at West. Roger Shaplegh, John Shaplegh.
- 6 at West. John Carwythan, Walter Pope.
- 7 at West. John Shillingford, John Beaunfitz.
- 8 at West. John Shillingford, John Cottiler.
- 9 at West. Tho. Cook, John Hull.
- 10 at West. Ric. Eaton, John Bromely.
- 11 at Cambridge, Tho. Cook, Walter Pope.
- 12 at West. Tho. Cook, Will. Henston.
- 13 at Cambridge, John Peynis, Rob. Drewell.
- 14 at West. Tho. Dourish, John Tilerd.
- 15 at West. Tho. Holland, Tho. Dourish.
- 16 at West. Tho. Holland, jun. Hugh Prekny.
- 17 at Reading, David John, John Hamond.
- 18 at West. Tho. Holland, Will. atte Wille.

EDWARD

EDWARD IV.

- 7 P. at West. Tho. Calwoodley, Ric. Clerk.
 12 at West. Tho. Calwoodley, Ric. Clerk.
 17 at West. John Atwyll, Will. Fokeray.

EDWARD VI.

- 1 P. at West.
 6 at West. Rob. Weston, Ric. Hert.

MARY.

- 1 P. at West. John Ridgeway, Esq; Rob. Harte, Gent.
 1 at Oxford, John Ridgeway, Ric. Hert.

PHILIP & MARY.

- 1 & 2 P. at West. John Greensyll, John Peter.
 2 & 3 at West. John Pollards, Kt. Edmund Sture.
 4 & 5 at West. John Greynfeld, Walter Staplehill.

ELIZABETH.

- 1 P. at West.
 5 at West. Thomas Williams, Esq; Geffry Tothill, Gent.
 13 at West. Geffry Tothill, Gent. John Vowelly, alias Hooker, Esq;
 14 at West. Geffry Tothill, Gent. Simon Knight, Gent.
 27 at West. Tho. Bruarton, Ric. Pouze.
 28 at West. Edw. Drewe, John Hooker, Gent.
 31 at West. Edw. Drewe, Esq; John Periam, Esq;
 35 at West. John Hele, Esq; Recorder, John Periam, Esq;
 39 at West. John Hele, Serjeant at Law, William Martyn.
 43 at West. John Hele, Serjeant at Law, John Howell, Esq;

JAMES I.

- 1 P. at West. George Smith, Esq; John Prou, Esq;
 12 at West. John Prowse, Esq; Ignatius Jordan, Esq;
 18 at West. Nic. Duck, Esq; Recorder, John Prowse, Esq;

CHARLES I.

- 1 P. at West. Ignatius Jordaine, Alderman, Nic. Ducke, Esq; Recorder.
 1 at West. Ignatius Jordaine, Alderman, John Haynes, Merchant.
 3 at West. Ignatius Jordaine, Esq; John Lynne, Gent.
 15 at West. Rob. Walker, Mayor, Jacob Tucker, Esq;
 16 at West. Rob. Walker, Esq; Simon Snow, Esq; Sam. Clark, Esq;

In his Place, Simon Snow.

CHARLES II.

- 12 P. at West. John Maynard, Serjeant at Law, Tho. Bampffield, Esq; Richard Ford, Merchant.
 13 at West. James Smith, Kt. Rob. Walker, Esq;
 31 at West. Will. Glide, Esq; Malachy Pine, Esq;
 31 at West. Will. Glide, Esq; Malachy Pine, Esq;
 32 at Oxford, Tho. Carew, Kt. Tho. Walker, Esq;

In his Place, deceased, Tho. Walker, Esq; Alderman.

JAMES II.

- 1 P. at West. John Walker, Esq; Mayor, Edw. Seymour, Esq;

WILLIAM & MARY.

- 1 P. at West. Edw. Seymour, Bart, Christopher Bale, Esq;
 2 at West. Edw. Seymour, Bart. Christopher Bale, Esq;

WILLIAM III.

- 7 P. at West. Edw. Seyward, Esq; Jos. Tily, Esq;
 10 at West. Edw. Seymour, Bart. Barth. Shower, Kt;
 12 at West. Edw. Seymour, Bart. Barth. Shower, Kt;
 13 at West. Edw. Seymour, Bart. Barth. Shower, Kt;

* In his
Place, de-
ceas'd,

John

Snell, Esq;

ANNE.

- 1 P. at West. Right Hon. Edw. Seymour, Bart. Com-
 troller of her Majesty's Household, John
 Snell, Esq;

† In his
Place, de-
ceas'd,

John Har-
 ris, Esq;

- 4 at West. † Right Hon. Edw. Seymour, Bart. John
 Snell, Esq;
 7 at West. Nic. Wood, Esq; John Harris, Esq;
 9 at West. Coplestone Warwick Bampfild, Bart. John
 Snell, Esq;
 12 at West. John Rolle, Esq; Francis Drewe, Esq;



BOROUGH

BOROUGH OF TOTNES,



IS found in *Doomsday-Book* under the Title of *Terra Judbael de Brady of Totnais*, who held this Borough in the Time of *Will. I.* by his Gift, where I shall chiefly date

my Account, omitting the fabled Stories of *Brute's* landing here, which the Inhabitants much boast of, and at this Day shew, as a great Curiosity, to Strangers, a Stone near the *East Gate*, which they affirm was the very Stone that *Brute* set his Foot on when he came a-shore, which, if any Truth in, was rather at *Torbay*, then nam'd *Totonesium* *Hollingshead's* *Littus*, as *Hooker* tells us: However, this Place was of Note before the Conquest; and *Risdon, Vol. 2. p. 210*, cites from *Bede* an Account of *Aurelius Ambrosius* and *Uter Pendragon's* Arrival and Reception at *Totness*, when they return'd into *Britanny*, and made Head against the Tyranny of *Vortiger*. And *Leland* tells us, that the *Roman Fosseway*, extending from *North* to *South*, begun here, and went thro' *Devonshire* and *Somersetshire*, as

Risdon's Survey of Devon, Vol. 1. p. 58.

Hollingshead's Chron. Vol. 1. p. 1011.

Leland's Collectanea, Vol. 3. p. 596.

conceive, by Way of *Exeter* and *Ilchester*, and so from *Bath* to *Cirencester*, &c.

Camden's
Brit. p.
28.

That this Town was a considerable Place at the Time of the *Conquest*, is evident by its then enjoying great Privileges, as not being tax'd but when *Exeter* was. And the said *Judbael* taking his Surname from hence, where he seated himself in a Castle of his own erecting, and held it as the principal Place of his Barony, farther confirms it. During his Residence, he founded a *Priory* here

Tanner's
Notit. Mo-
nast. p. 44.

to the Honour of the *Virgin Mary*, which became a Cell to the Abby of *St. Sergius* and *St. Bachus* at *Angiers*, tho' *Speed* and *Risdon* say one *Roger Newman* was Founder of it,

Dugd. Bar.
Vol. 1. p.
414.

which Person, I suppose, is mistaken for *Roger Novant*, to whom King *William Rufus* (having expell'd *Judbael de Totnais* out of the Realm) gave his Inheritance. This

ib. p. 522.

Roger Novant's Grandson, of the same Name, being possess'd of the Honour of *Totness* Anno 12 *Hen. II.*, certify'd his *Knights Fees* to be sixty four and an half. Yet notwithstanding this Grant of *Will. Rufus*, *Will. de Braose*, great Grandson to *Joel de Totnais*, held a Moiety of the Honour, and in the 9th of King *John*, made a Partition thereof with *Roger de Valletort*, Heir to *Henry* Son to the last *Roger de Novant*. But this *William de Braose* shortly after falling into the King's

ib. p. 418.

Displeasure, the King seiz'd on his Lands, and the Sheriff of *Devon* accounted for the same, A. 11 *Job.* Soon after which that King assign'd the Castle and Town of *Totness* to *Henry*, natural Son of *Reginald* Earl of *Cornwall*. However,

on the Accession of *Henry III* to the Crown, *Reginald de Braose*, third Son of *William*, doing his Homage, had Restitution thereof, and the same pass'd in Marriage with his Sister *Eve*, to *Will de Cantilupe*, who had, in his Wife's Right, a Moiety of the Fees (viz. twenty eight and an half) belonging to this Honour; which descended, on the Death of his only Son *George de Cantilupe*, to *Millicent* his eldest Daughter, first Wife to *John de Monthalt*, and afterwards of *Ivo la Zouche*; which *Millicent*, by the Name of *de Monte Alto*, certify'd, Anno 10 *Edw. I.* her Title to the Castle and Borough of *Totness*, valu'd at 20 l. per Annum, and claim'd in the said Manor, View of Frank-pledge, Assize of Bread and Beer, a Ducking-Stool, and a Pillory; which the Jury alledge her Ancestors to have fully enjoy'd; and that the said *Millicent* was the King's Ward, who having betroth'd her in her Minority to *John de Monthalt*, on his Death (which happen'd before she came of Age of Consent) bestow'd her on the aforesaid *Eudo*, or *Ivo la Zouche*, by whom she had Issue *Will. la Zouche* her Son and Heir; who, on his Mother's Decease, 27 *Edw. I.* obtain'd Livery of the Lands of her Inheritance; by Virtue of which this Manor and Castle came to the *Zouches*; which noble Family having probably acquir'd the *Valletorts* Purparty, (on the Death of *Roger de Vallitort*, Anno 18 *Edw. I.* whose Lands upon his Demise fell to the Crown) became thereby seiz'd of the whole Manor of *Totness*, which continu'd in their Possession for many Generations, till the Attainder

Dugd. Bar.
Vol. 1. p.

732.

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Dugd. Bar.
as before.

Prince's
Worthies of
Devon. p.
282.

tainder of *John la Zouche*, upon whose siding with *Richard III*, King *Henry VII*, after having secur'd the Crown, by the Decision of the Battle of *Bosworth-Field*, in the first Year of his Reign, by Patent dated *June 7*, 1485, granted to *Richard Edgecombe* (Ancestor to the present *Richard Edgecombe* of Mount *Edgecombe*, Esq;) and his Heirs, this Manor and Honour; whose Son, or Grandson, after having convey'd, in the second Year of the Reign of Queen *Elizabeth*, the Manor of the Borough to the Corporation of *Totness*, on a reserv'd Rent of 21 l. per Annum, payable to the Castle, in the same Reign sold his Interest in the said Castle and Honour (to which did formerly belong fifty six Knights Fees) to *Sir Edward Seymour*, Lord and Owner of *Berry Castle* in this Neighbourhood; from whose Family it hath been since convey'd, viz. Anno 1655, to *Will. Bogan*, Esq; of *Gatcombe*, whose Grandson, *Will. Bogan*, Esq; now enjoys it, and is the present Lord of this Honour and Manor, of whom the Corporation hold it, and pay the aforesaid reserv'd Rent of 21 l. per Annum; tho' the Ancestor of *Richard Edgecombe*, Esq; when he alienated it, reserv'd a Burgesship to his Family for ever, which is now enjoy'd by him.

The Town of *Totness* is situated on the Ascent of a rocky Hill, and consists principally of one pretty wide Street, from East to West, of about three quarters of a Mile in Length; it was formerly wall'd, and had four Gates, but none of them are now remaining, except the South, or Sham-

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bles-Gate, tho' Part of the rest are still visible, especially the *West*, or *bigger Gate*, and the *North Gate*, which was the largest of them all. The outward Walls of the Castle are yet entire, except the Battlements; it stands on the *North-West* Side of the Town, not far from the *North Gate*. Near the *East Gate* stands the Church, a spacious Building, dedicated to the Virgin *Mary*: It has three great Isles, and a large Chancel; (before the *Reformation*, here were founded in it two Guilds, one call'd, *Our Lady's Guild*, and the other *Jesus Guild*) at the *West End* is a good Tower, in Heighth 91 Feet, adorn'd with four beautiful Pinnacles; in it are six Bells: *Leland* says the Bells of this Church were, in his Time, the biggest in all these Parts. Here is an handsome Stone-Pulpit in the Church, and a good Screen between the Church and Chancel, and a Library adjoining to it: 'Twas improprie heretofore to the Priory of *Totness* abovemention'd, of which now nothing remains; tho' on the Site, or near it, which was on the *North* Side of the Church, are since built a Town-Hall and a School-House. On the *South* Part of the Town, a little Distance from it, is a decay'd Chapel of *St. Mary Magdalen*. At the lower End of the Town is a good Bridge over the River *Dart*, which was formerly navigable to this Place, as 'tis now sometimes by the Help of the Tide. At the *West End* of this Bridge was a Chantry-Chapel, founded by *Will. de Cantelupe*, dedicated to *St. Mary*, (which perhaps may be the abovesaid Chapel) which

*Leland's
Itin. Vol.
3. p. 29.*

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2. E. 6.
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which I find, in the second Year of Edw. VI. was, *inter alia*, granted to John Peter and John Bogan, with an annual Rent belonging to an Hospital of our Lady in Totness, and all the Chantry call'd the New Cross in Great Totness aforesaid.

The Choice of Members of Parliament for this Place, is in the Corporation and Burgeses, which consists of a Mayor and thirteen Burgermasters, and twenty Common Council Men. Besides which, here is a Recorder, and about eighty Freemen, of which Number about seventy poll'd at the Election, Anno 1712.

Madox's
History of
the Exche-
quer, p. 391

In the 26th of Hen. II, the Burgesses of Totness paid a Fine of five Marks, for setting up a Guild without Authority; however, in the 7th Year of King John's Reign, they were incorporated by Charter, and made a Mayor Town; which was since confirm'd by Edw. I, and succeeding Kings, as I am inform'd the present Charter sets forth.

Dugd. Bar.
Vol. 2. p.
483.

Ibid. Vol. 2.
p. 487.

This Town is likewise of Eminence for giving Title to one of the four Archdeacons of the large Diocese of Exeter, which Dignity was, no doubt, conferr'd on it upon the first constituting of Archdeacons in that Cathedral. And since it hath, on this Account, been made Choice of, Anno 1625, 1 Car. I, denominating Earl to George Carew; (Son to George Carew, D. D. Archdeacon hereof) on whose Demise without Issue, K. Charles II, July 29, 1675, creating his natural Son, Charles Fitz Charles, Earl of Plymouth, dignify'd him also with the Title of Viscount Totness, and Baron of Dartmouth. But upon his

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his Decease, *An.* 1680, it has not been since, as I find, reviv'd, tho' both his other Titles of *Plymouth* and *Dartmouth* have.

EDWARD I.

- 23 *P.* at West. John de Blakdon,
- 26 at York, Nic. de la Porr, Walter Veil.
- 28 at Linc. John Fountain, Giles Waltham.
- 28 at West. John de Font, Ric. de Waltham.
- 30 at London, John Fountain, Michael Malestyn.
- 33 at West. John atte Welle, Michael de Salston.
- 34 at West. John le Welle, Walter Veil.
- 37 at Carlisle, Hen. de Colberton, Walter Veil.

EDWARD II.

- 2 *P.* at West. Will. Pile, Will. Parsonn.
- 4 at West. Will. Ballard, Rob. Hamelyn.
- 5 at London, Will. Ballard, Rob. Hamlyn.
- 6 at West. Will. Ballard, Walter Bleyon.
- 7 at West. John de Esse, Walter Gleyon.
- 8 at West. Will. Ballard, John atte Wille.
- 12 at York, John atte Welle, Walter le Spicer.
- 12 at York, Walter le Spicer, John atte Welle. .
- 15 at West. John atte Welle, Augustin Bastard.
- 19 at West. Tho. de Cobberton, Augustin Bastard.

EDWARD III.

- 1 *P.* at York, Will. Tilliol, John de Aysh.
- 2 at Northton. Tho. de Cobberton, Walter le Spicer.
- 4 at Winch. Stephen Strete, John Sopere.
- 4 at West. John Westlegh, John Peres.
- 6 at West. John Ude, Stephen Quant.
- 6 at York, John Westlegh, John de Pyn.
- 6 at West. John Ude, Stephen Quant.
- 8 at West. John Ude, John Paye.
- 9 at West. John Ude, John Peres.
- 10 Council at Norr. Tho. de Cobberton, Will. Maham.
- 11 *P.* at West. John Haddefdon, John Peirce.
- 11 at West. John Cobberton, John Fitz Robert.
- 12 at West. Walter Spicer, John atte Well.

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- 12 *P. at West.* Will. le Cock, John de Ayshe.
 14 *at West.* Walter le Spicer, John Fountain.
 14 *at West.* John Ayshe, John le Cooke.
 15 *at West.* John Hude, John Ayshe.
 17 *at West.* Walter Spicer, Geffry Veale.
 21 *at West.* Rob. de Wercomb, Geffry Stottensale.
 22 *at West.* Roger Nerecomb, John Mayhouse.
 24 *at West.* Philip Sinton, John Faresone.
 26 *at West.* John de Baumfeld, Nicolas Whityng de
 Sidebury.
 29 *at West.* John Slade, Will. Donner.
 31 *at West.* John Proutz, John Keary.
 32 *at West.* John Proutz, John Keary.
 34 *at West.* Vincent Hagge, Walter Mostemue.
 34 *at West.* Will. de Wyke, Hen. Button.
 36 *at West.* Ric. Whirlegh, John Wouard.
 37 *at West.* John Pope, Ralph James.
 42 *at West.* John Cople, John Wouard.
 43 *at West.* Philip Wouard, Peter Wyke.
 45 *Council at Winchester,* Hugh Werse.
 46 *P. at West.* John Prestcote, John Grymmell.
 47 *at West.* John Prestcote, Will. atte Stile.
 50 *at West.* Rob. Frensh, Will. Burnston.

RICHARD II.

- 1 *P. at West.* John Prestcoat, Will. Burleston.
 2 *at Glouc.* Will. Crese, John Pars.
 3 *at West.* Will. Burnston, Walter Willefdon.
 6 *at West.* Will. Burleston, Will. Oke.
 7 *at New Sarum,* John Winkfield, John Dobbyn.
 8 *at West.* Rob. Frensh, Ric. Troy.
 9 *at West.* Rob. Frensh, Elias Bere.
 10 *at West.* Rob. Frensh, John Pasford.
 11 *at West.* John Raw, Walter Browning.
 12 *at Camb.* John Statham, Walter Bromyng.
 13 *at West.* John Palymere, Walter Hetet.
 15 *at West.* John Grey, Tho. Norreys.
 18 *at West.* John Marshall, Elias Bere.
 20 *at West.* John Gyn, Elias Bere.

HENRY

HENRY IV.

- 1 P. at West. Simon Merssh, John Rose.
- 3 at West. Hen. Spenser, John Hull.
- 8 at Glouc. Alfred Wanston, John Pomeray.
- 11 at West. Hen. Austen, Richard Castell.
- 12 at West. John Boson, Hen. Bremell.

HENRY V.

- 1 P. at West. Hen. Austin, John Seabright.
- 2 at West. Will. Rider, Hen. Berkley.
- 3 at West. Torn.
- 7 at Glouc. Rob. Wastwell, John Warwick.
- 8 at West. John Ayshe, Walrer Serle.
- 9 at West. Hen. Chefwell, Will. Cousin.

HENRY VI.

- 2 P. at West. Will. Cousin, John Wose.
- 3 at West. Will. Cousin, Will. Milford.
- 4 at Leic. John Fortescue, John Medys.
- 8 at West. Tho. Gyll, Will. Cousin.
- 9 at West. Will. Cosyn, Tho. Hille.
- 13 at West. John More, John Wode.
- 15 at Camb. John Worthy, John Wyche.
- 25 at Camb. Walter Reynell, Nic. Colew.
- 27 at West. Adam Cockys, John Prall.
- 28 at West. Tho. Calwoodlegh, John Hobbey.
- 29 at West. Tho. Coltwoodly, John Hobby.
- 31 at Reading. John Ritte, Tho. Penny.
- 33 at West. Will. Fowell, Will. Atteleke.

EDWARD IV.

- 7 P. at West. John Gybbes, Rob. Bughton.
- 12 at West. Walter Hody, Will. Herr.
- 17 at West. Tho. Calwodeley, jun. Ric. Wyat.

EDWARD VI.

- 1 P. at West.
- 6 at West. , , ,

MARY.

- 1 P. at West. John Wotton, *Mayor*, Christopher Savery,
1 at Oxf. John Eveleygh, Hen. Gildon.

PHILIP & MARY.

- 1 & 2 P. at West. Ric. Savery, Christopher Savery.
2 & 3 at West. Peter Edgecumb, Leonard Yeo.
4 & 5 at West. Bernard Smith, Leonard Yeo.

ELIZABETH.

- 1 P. at West.
3 at West. Arthur Champernoun, Kt. Ric. Edgecomb,
Esq;
13 at West. Ric. Harleston, John Stanhope, Gent.
* In his 14 at West. * Rob. Monfon, Edw. Briggis.
Place made 27 at West. Christopher Savery, Esq; Nicolas Ball,
a Judge, Merchant.
Rob. Beale. 28 at West. John Giles, Esq; Nic. Hayman, Merchant.
31 at West. Ric. Edgecomb, Esq; Simon Keilwey, Gent.
35 at West. Ric. Sparry, Esq; Christopher Savery, Gent.
39 at West. Edw. Giles, Esq; Christopher Briggans.
43 at West. Leonard Dacre, Gent. Phil. Holditch, Gent.

JAMES I.

- 1 P. at West. Christopher Brokyn, Merchant, Walter
Dottin, Merchant.
12 at West.
18 at West. Edw. Gyles, Kt. Ric. Rode, Merchant.
21 at West. Edw. Gyles, Kt. Arthur Champernoun, Esq;

CHARLES I.

- 1 P. at West. Edw. Seymer, Kt. & Bart. Edw. Gyles, Kt.
1 at West. Arthur Champernoun, Esq; Philip Hol-
ditche, Merchant.
3 at West. Edw. Gyles, Kt. Tho. Preeftwood, Gent.
15 at West. Oliver St. John, Esq; John Maynard, Esq;
16 at West. Oliver St. John, Esq; John Maynard, Esq;

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CHARLES II.

- 12 P. at West. Tho. Chafe, Esq; Tho. Clifford, Esq;
 13 at West. Edw. Seymour, Bart. ‡ Tho. Clifford, Esq; ‡ *In his*
 31 at West. Edw. Seymour, Bart. John Kelland, jun. *Place, made*
 Esq; *Lord Clif-*
 31 at West. Edw. Seymour, Bart. Edw. Seymour, Esq; *ford, Tho.*
 32 at Oxfo. John Kelland, Esq; Cha. Kelland, Esq; *Berry, Kt,*

JAMES II.

- 1 P. at West. Edw. Seymour, Bart. John Kelland,

WILLIAM & MARY.

- 1 P. at West. John Fowell, Bart. Rawlyn Mallack, Esq;
 2 at West. * John Fowell, Bart. Henry, Seymour, Esq; * *In his*

WILLIAM III.

- 7 P. at West. Edw. Seymour, Bart. Edw. Yarde, jun. Esq; son, Esq;
 10 at West. || Edw. Seymour, Bart. Tho. Coulson, Esq; || *In his*
 12 at West. Fra. Gwynn, Esq; Tho. Coulson, Esq; *Place, chose*
 13 at West. Christopher Musgrave, Kt. & Bart. Tho. *for Exe-*
 Coulson, Esq; *ter, Fra,*
Gwynn,
Esq;

ANNE.

- 1 P. at West. ‡ Christopher Musgrave, Kt. & Bart. Tho. ‡ *In his*
 Coulson, Esq; *Place, chose*
 4 at West. Humphry Mackworth, Kt. Tho. Coulson, *for Co.*
 Esq; *Westmer-*
 7 at West. Edw. Seymour, Bart. Geo. Courtenay, Esq; *land, Will.*
 9 at West. Francis Gwynn, Esq; Tho. Coulson, Esq; *Seymour,*
 12 at West. Francis Gwynn, Esq; Stephen North- *Esq;*
 leigh, Esq;

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*Risdon's
Survey of
Devon. p.
68.*

LIES situate between the Rivers of *Tamar* and *Plym*, and is a large populous Town, containing near as many Souls as *Exeter*; the Streets are very compact, and well supply'd with Water, brought from a great Distance, viz. Seven Miles off, into this Place, by the Contrivance, and at the Expence of the famous Sir *Francis Drake*, one of its Natives, the most expert Sailor that ever *England* bred; whose Life and Actions being celebrated in several Accounts, I need not mention any Thing farther of him here.

*Camden's
Britan. p.
26.*

That this Town rose to this Eminence, is owing to the Convenience of the Harbour, capable of holding Vessels of any Burthen; it being not many Ages since, as our Writers assert, a very small Fisher-Town, and consisting of two Parts, term'd, from the different Owners, *Sutton Vaultort*, or *Valletort*, and *Sutton Prior*; the first of which belong'd to the noble Family of the *Valletorts*, renowned for their Possessions in these Parts,

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whose Inheritance, *temp. Edw. I.*, came to the Crown, as aforesaid; and the second to the Priory of *Plympton*; to which Monastery this Parish was impropriate, and so continu'd till the Dissolution, *temp. Henry VIII.*; after whose Reign, the Tythes, with the Patronage of the Vicaridge, were granted to, or purchas'd by, the Corporation, who are the present Impropiators, and Lords of the Borough, by Gift probably of the Crown; tho', before the Reformation, they were, on paying a Quit-Rent, vested in the other Moiety belonging to the Priory of *Plympton*, of whom they held it. Touching who have been ancient Lords of *Plymouth*, and by what Charter, or how the Manor was granted to the Corporation, I have not learn'd, except as before conjectur'd: But, in the Year 1282; K. *Edw. I.* held a Manor here, (as *John de Eltham*, his Grandson, Earl of *Cornwall* did, *temp. Edward III.*, with the Fishery of the Waters, which were then ancient *Demeasne*;) tho' the Prior of *Plympton* claim'd *Affize of Bread and Beer*, with Privilege of a Market and Fair, and Pillory, which he did by Virtue of King *Henry the III.*'s Charter; from whom, as the Jury said, their Liberties were deriv'd; and that they had enjoy'd the same for 15 Years in the Town of *Sutton*, or *Southton*, the ancient Name of *Plymouth*, before its Denomination from the River *Plym*, by which Title, *viz.* of *Borough of Sutton*, it return'd to Parliament before *Henry the VI.*'s Time, those few Times it had sent; tho' it was, even in *Edward the III.*'s Time, a well frequented Town, as appears by the

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Anno 7 &
8. E. III.

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pud Exon.
Anno 9.
E. I.

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*Risdon's
Survey of
Devon.
Vol. 3. p.
260.
Ib. Vol. 1.
p. 68.
Leland's
Collectanea
Vol. 3. p.
312.*

*Gibson's
Addit. to
Camden's
Brit. p. 38.*

French Invasion, who landing with a Design to burn it, were, with a Slaughter of about five hundred, put to Flight by *Hugh Courtney*, Earl of *Devon*; tho' they afterwards succeeded in their Enterprize, *An. 6. Henry IV*, as *Risdon* tells us; or, as *Leland* makes it, two Years before, when they burn'd six hundred Houses, under the Conduct of the Lord *Lastall*, and the Marshal of *Bretagne*; but the higher Part, where stands the Castle, escap'd. This Castle, garretted at every Corner, and suppos'd to be built by the *Valletorts*, Lords of this Part of the Town, was, as my Author says, rather the Work of *Edmund Stafford*, Bishop of *Exeter*, Chancellor of *England*, temp. *Edward III*; whose Arms, engraven on the Wall, were lately to be seen; but its ancient Works have been long since demolish'd, or rather turn'd into a more modern Form, which was done in our late Sovereign King *Charles the II*d's Reign, who made, in Place thereof, a strong Citadel, which is garrison'd, for the most part, with two Companies; and has, belonging to it, a Governor and Lieutenant; and contains, within the Circuit of its Walls, (which comprise, as I guess, at least two Acres) a large Magazine House, well stor'd with Provisions for Defence and Support of the Garrison. Here are five regular Bastions, and 165 Guns, divers of which were of Queen *Elizabeth's* providing; the biggest is about seven Inches Diameter in the Bore. Their Manner of Re-saluting, is with two Guns less than they are saluted with; an odd Number is always made

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made Use of on Occasion of Joy, and an even on Occasion of Grief. The Site of this Fortification is about a quarter of a Mile above the Town, on an Ascent; tis surrounded with dry Ditches, nor is there any Water in the Fort, but what is receiv'd from the Heavens in Cisterns. The greatest Security of this Town are the Forts about the Entrance of the Harbour, planted on some Islands, as is that of St. *Nicolas*, &c. wherein are, and in other Places, about an hundred Guns more. A little above, on the River, viz. about a Mile or two off the Citadel, is a most noble Dock for building Ships, begun by the late King *William*, which is the chief Curiosity of these Parts, and surpasseth for pleasant Walks, &c. all others in *England*; of which there being a Draught design'd, I need not mention farther Particulars, tho' I might be herein excus'd, because it is no Part of the Borough, whose chief Ornament is its two Churches, both very spacious Buildings, especially the old Church dedicated to St. *Andrew*; it has a very high handsom Tower at the *West* End, adorn'd with Pinnacles, in which are six large Bells. The Body of the Church is equally large and beautiful, as are the Side-Isles and Chancel. And indeed few Parochial Churches, I have seen, are better built in all Respects. The other Church, call'd *Charles-Church* (because, as some tell you, begun *Anno* 16 of that blessed Martyr King *Charles the First*, but rather from its being consecrated to his Memory) is a good Building, with an handsome Spire cover'd

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with Lead: It has been but lately finish'd, and made Use of; tho' by Act of Parliament even in King *Charles the First's* Time, *Plymouth* was made two Parishes. The Revenues belonging to these Churches are very considerable, the Vicaridge of the old one being worth at least 400*l.* per *Annum*, tho' there are three Curacies belonging to it, viz. *St. Botolph's*, *Stone-House*, and *Penny-Cross*. The Endowment of the new one is worth about 70*l.* per *Annum* certain, tho' here is near 200*l.* per *Annum*, more probable arising from several Perquisites, the greatest of which are from the *Palls* with which the Ministers accommodate the Dead, each Person, bury'd in the Churches or Church-Yards, being oblig'd to make Use of one, for which, according to the Quality of the deceas'd, two Shillings and six Pence, five Shillings, and ten Shillings are given: The Poor have a separate Burial-Place, next to the Fields, appropriated to that Use,

The Corporation, as aforementioned, nominate to these Churches, and affix to the Presentation their Seal; they elect likewise Lecturers every three Years, to which each Person subscribes what he pleases. Here are Prayers every Day at Ten and Three, and Sermons on *Wednesday* Mornings, and thrice on *Sundays*. The Cure of Souls being great, the Parish-Clerks of the respective Churches are in Deacons Orders, and marry, christen, and bury, administer the Cup, and read both the Lessons. The Pews in each Church are lett for Lives, any Party purchasing, may alienate,

alienate, paying five Shillings Fine. The Profits are apply'd to the Use of the Parish.

The Corporation of *Plymouth* consists of a Mayor, twelve Magistrates, or Aldermen, and twenty four Common Council Men. Towards the Choice of the New Mayor, the Mayor and Aldermen choose two Persons, whom they call *Assurers*, the Common Council choose two more, which four choose a Jury of thirty six, who elect the new Mayor. The Mayor for the Time being, and his Predecessor, and the two senior Aldermen, are Justices of the Peace. Here is also a Recorder and Town-Clerk, which last Place is very profitable.

Here are three weekly Markets, on *Mondays*, *Thursdays*, and *Saturdays*, the Toll of which, and of the Corn, Yarn, &c. and Profits of the Mill, is very considerable, and belong to the Corporation; as do the Revenues of the Shambles, which are farm'd out at 160 *l. per Annum* for the Mayor's Kitchen. Here is of late establish'd a Work-House; and Colonel *Fory* hath given a Charity for twelve poor Widows; he also gave a very fine Mace, to be bore before the Mayor, worth 120 *l.* and bestow'd six good Bells on the new Church, suppos'd to be worth 500 *l.*

The Choice of Members of Parliament is in the Freemen and Freeholders of the Borough, of which, at a Poll about twenty Years ago, there voted near two hundred; tho' the Town is since much increas'd, and does so daily, it being now one of the best inhabited Towns in *England*; tho' the Build-

ings are not extraordinary, and the Streets narrow. Here are, by Reason of the great Concourse of People, two Printing Houses to advertise Things, both which subsist chiefly by publishing News-Papers.

This Town was incorporated by Hen. VI, in the eighteenth Year of his Reign, by Act of Parliament, according to their Petition, which had been first preferr'd about thirty Years before, viz. 13 Hen. IV, wherein the Inhabitants of the Town of Sutton Prior and Sutton Vautort, otherwise call'd Plymouth, pray'd they might be incorporated by the Name of Mayor, &c. In the 4th Year of Edward IV, I find a Confirmation of Liberties made to the Mayor and Commonalty of Plymouth, under a Fee-Farm Rent of 29 l. 6 s. 8 d. payable to the Prior of Plympton. This Town is divided into four Wards, to every one of which belong'd a Captain, who was under the Mayor; but there being an Account of Plymouth given in Leland, I shall thence extract it, for the Satisfaction of those who are desirous to know the State thereof in his Time. This learned Antiquary, having diligently survey'd this Town, tells us, That 'twas very large, and divided into four Wards; and that there was a loweward Captain in each of these Wards, and under each Captain three Constables; the Names, he there informs us, were, the old Town Ward, Venarwarde, Lowe Ward, and Vintreward along by the Gulf; and that the Town, in Henry the III's Time, was a mean Thing, and an Habitation of Fishers, and afterwards encreas'd by little and little; that the oldest Part

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Cotton's A-
bridgment
of the Tow-
er Records,
p. 482.
Ibidem,
p.

Leland's
Itin. Vol. I.
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stood North-West, which was much decay'd, and that the Name of Plymouth Town, and Privileges of a Mayor, was in King Henry the Vith's Time first granted by Act of Parliament; and that the Prior of Plympton was afore the chief Ruler, and kept Courts there; and that 'twas then call'd Sutton, and divided into Sutton Valletort, which was the North Part of the Town; and that the Middle and Heart of the Town was call'd Sutton Prior, where was the Parish Church, the Parsonage whereof was impropriate to the Priory of Plympton. The Steeple of the Church, he tells us, was paid for of late Years by one Thomas Yogge, Merchant of Plymouth, tho' the Town found the Materials; which Thomas Yogge made a fair House in the Town, towards the Haven, and a goodly House on the North Side of the Church Yard, and a fair Chapel on the South Side of the Church; and that this Church, and much Ground whereon Sutton, now call'd Plymouth, was built, belong'd to one of the Prebends Titulo Sti. Petri & Pauli of Plympton's Collegiate Church; and that all such as built Houses here since the Time of Henry II, took License of the Prior of Plympton as their chief Lord. He also speaks of an House of White Friars in the East Part of the Town, and an Hospital on the North Side the Church; and on the Hill South of the Town, call'd the How, a fair Chapel of St. Catherine; and that the Mouth of the Gulf wherein the Ships of Plymouth lye, was wall'd on each Side, and chain'd over in Time of Necessity; and that on the South-West of this was a Block-House, and on a rocky Hill hard by it, a strong Castle quadrate, having at each Corner a great

great round Tower, but this, he says, seem'd to be no very old piece of Work.

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To what I have before said of this Town I shall only add, that of late Years it hath been erected into an Earldom by King Charles II, who, Anno 1675, first conferr'd the Title of Earl of Plymouth, as spoken of in Totnes on his natural Son Charles Fitz Charles, who deceasing Anno 1680, the said King promoted to this Honour, by Letters Patent dated December 6, 1682, Henry Windsor Hickman (Baron Windsor of Bradenham, Co. Bucks) in which he was succeeded by his Grandson the present Earl of Plymouth.

EDWARD I.

26 P. at York, Will. de Stoke, Nic. le Rodeleye,
33 at West. Will. Bredon, John Austin.

EDWARD II.

4 P. at West. Rob. le Sopere, Will. Smith.
7 at West. John Austin, Will. Berd.

EDWARD III.

14 Council at West. John Bernard, John Berd.

No Return after 7 Edw. II, 'till 20 Henry VI, except to a Council, Anno 14 Edw. III.

HENRY VI.

20 P. at West. John Wellston, John Carwinak.
25 at Camb. Will. Edgecomb, Will. Taylor.
27 at West. Tho. Hill, Will. Dawen.
28 at West. Tho. Welliwrought, John Bigham.
29 at West. John Radford, Will. Dawney.

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1 P. at Reading, Will. Tayler, John Clyff de Stobhill.
3 at West. Vincent Pidelesden, Richard Page.

EDWARD IV.

7 P. at West. John Rowland, Ric. Page.
1 at West. John Snape, Nicolas Snape.
7 at West. Alfr. Cornburgh, Ric. Page.

HENRY VIII.

3 P. at West. Geo. Ferrers.

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head's
Chron. in
Vita H. 8.
P. 955.

EDWARD VI.

1 P. at West.
6 at West.

MARY.

1 P. at West. Roger Budolphide, Will. Hawkins.
4 at Oxford, John Mallet, Ric. Hooper.

PHILIP & MARY.

& 2 P. at West. Tho. Knyvet, Kt. Roger Buttissye.
& 3 at West. Tho. Carew, Esq; John Young, Esq;
& 5 at West. Humphry Speccot, Esq; Nic. Stauning.

ELIZABETH.

1 P. at West.
5 at West. Hen. Champernoun, Esq; Will. Peryam,
Gent.
3 at West. Humphry Gilbert, Kt. John Hawkins,
Esq;
4 at West. John Hawkins, Edmund Tremaine, Esqs;
7 at West. Hen. Bromley, Christopher Harris, Esqs;
8 at West. Hen. Bromley, Esq; Hugh Vaughan, Gent.
1 at West. Miles Sands, Esq; Reginald Nichols, Gent.
5 at West. Fra. Drake, Kt. Rob. Bassett, Esq;
9 at West. Warwick Hele, Esq; Will. Stafford.
3 at West. John Bagg, Merchant, William Stallenge,
Merchant.

JAMES.

JAMES I.

- 1 P. at West. Ric. Hawkins, Kt. James Bagg, Merchant.
 12 at West.
 18 at West. John Glanvill, Esq; Recorder, Thomas Shervill, Merchant.
 21 at West. John Glanvill, Esq; Recorder, Thomas Shervill, Merchant.

CHARLES I.

- 1 P. at West. John Glanvill, Esq; Recorder, Thomas Shervill, Merchant.
 1 at West. John Glanvill, Esq; Recorder, Thomas Shervill, Merchant.
 3 at West. John Glanvill, Esq; Recorder, Thomas Shervill, Merchant.
 15 at West. Rob. Trelawney, Esq; John Waddon, Esq;
 16 at West. John Young, Kt. John Waddon, Esq;

CHARLES II.

- 12 P. at West. John Maynard, Serjeant at Law, Edward Fowell, Esq; William Morris, Esq; Samuel Trelawney, Esq; } Double Return.
 13 at West. William Morris, Kt. Principal Secretary of State, † Sam. Trelawney, Esq;
 † In his Place, Gilbert Talbot, Esq;
 31 at West. John Maynard, Kt. His Majesty's Serjeant at Law, John Spark, Esq;
 31 at West. John Maynard, Kt. Serjeant at Law, John Spark, Esq;
 32 at Oxf. John Maynard, Kt. Will. Jones, Kt.

JAMES II.

- 1 P. at West. Bernard Greenville, Esq; Richard Earl of Ranelagh.

WILLIAM

WILLIAM & MARY.

1 P. at West. John Maynard, Kt. Serjeant at Law, John Granvill, Esq;

2 at West. * John Maynard, Kt. Serjeant at Law, * In his Place, de-
John Granvill, Esq;

WILLIAM III.

7 P. at West. Hon. John Granville, Esq; George Parker, Esq;

10 at West. Hon. Cha. Trelawney, Esq; John Rogers, sen. Merchant.

12 at West. Hon. Cha. Trelawney, Esq; Hon. Henry Trelawney, Esq;

13 at West. Hon. Cha. Trelawney, Esq; † Hon. Hen. † In his Place, de-
Trelawney, Esq;

ANNE.

1 P. at West. Hon. Cha. Trelawney, Esq; John Wolcomb, Esq;

4 at West. Hon. Cha. Trelawney, Esq; Geo. Byng, Kt.

7 at West. Hon. Cha. Trelawney, Esq; Geo. Byng, Kt.

9 at West. Cha. Trelawney, Esq; Geo. Byng, Kt.

12 at West. John Rogers, Bart. Hon. Geo. Byng, Kt.





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O K E H A M P T O N



Eceives its Name from the River *Oke*, or *Ocke*, on which the Borough is situate, in the Bottom, at a considerable Distance from the Parish-Church dedicated to *All Saints*, which stands on a Hill near a Mile above the Town, as it were, by it self, as do the Ruins of the Castle, of which little remains.

The chief Support of this Place is the Road, to which, I presume, the Growth of the present Town is owing, which boasts of no good Buildings, tho' tis a *Corporation*, govern'd by eight principal *Burgesses*, (out of whom the Mayor is annually chosen) and as many *Assistants* (out of whom the said principal *Burgesses* are elected.) To which Honour it was rais'd by King *James I.* in whose Sons Reign, viz. King *Charles I.* this Town, Anno 1640, by Virtue of being an ancient Borough, and having sent twice *Burgesses*, temp. *Edw. I. & Edw. II.* was restor'd to the Privilege of having

ving Representatives in Parliament, as shewn (p. 212) in *Cockermouth*, who are chosen by the *Freemen and Freeholders*, whose Number is uncertain; but may be, as I am inform'd, from 300 to 500, according to the Disposition of the Mayor, who is the Returning Officer: Besides whom here belongs a Recorder, a Justice, and Town-Clerk to this Borough, in which is a mean Town-Hall, and indifferent Chapel dedicated to St. James, frequently officiated in for the Ease of the Inhabitants; which Chapel I take to be the same as I find Mention of Anno 3 Edw. VI, by the Name of Brightly's Chantry, who was probably Founder hereof; tho' it has been, as I am inform'd, since repair'd, and the Tower, a neat small Building, erected about K. James's the Ist's Time, by one of the *Trelawneys*, of which Family I shall speak anon. Having nothing more to observe of this Place, than that the chief Repute it has is deriv'd from its Lords, and being an ancient Borough and Barony; the Account of which will appear in the Sequel of this Discourse, which I shall deduce from the Conquest, viz. temp. Will. I, in whose Reign, as we are told in *Doomsday-Book*, Baldwin, the Viscount, held Ochementone of the King, where he had his Castle; and that here were then four Burgesses and a Market; which shews this Place very early entituled to these Privileges. This Baldwin (by some call'd *de Brioniis*, by others *Baldwin de Molis*, second Son to Gilbert Crispin Earl of Brion, Son of Godfrey Earl of Ewe, natural Son to Richard, first of that Name, Duke of Nor-

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Brady of Boroughs, p. 42.

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mandy, Great Grandfather to *William the Conqueror*) had Issue by his Wife, Neice to *Will. I.*, *Richard* his eldest Son, on whom the same King *William* bestow'd the Inheritance of the whole Honour and Barony of *Okehampton*. This *Richard*, also surnam'd *de Redvers*, dy'd
Dug. Bar. 2 *Steph.* 1137, and left this Town, Part of
Vol. I. p. his Inheritance, to *Adeliza*, Wife to *Ranulph*
 255. *Avenell*, his only Sister, (styl'd *Vicecomitissa*)
Dug. Mon. who dy'd 9 *Cal. Sept.* 1142, and was succeed-
Angl. Vol. ed in this Barony of *Okehampton* by *Alicia*
 1. p. 786. her Daughter and sole Heir, first marry'd to
Robert de Aubrincis, by whom she had Issue
Hawisa; and, secondly, to *Robert*, natural
 Son of King *Hen. I.*, by whom she had Issue
Maud, who dying 11 *Cal. Octob.* 1173, 19
Hen. II., left her said Daughters her Heirs,
 which becoming the King's Wards, were
 committed to the Custody of *Reginald de Cour-*
tenay, who having himself marry'd *Hawisa*,
 bestow'd the younger, scil. *Maud*, on his el-
 dest Son *William*, whereby this Manor and
 Honour became vested in the Family of the
Courtenays. Whether *William* had any Issue
 I cannot tell, but his Father *Reginald* had by
 the said *Hawisa* a Son nam'd *Robert*; who,
Anno 7 Johannis, gave 500 l. and five Palfreys
Dugd. Bar. to have Livery of the Honour of *Okehampton*,
Vol. I. p. his Mother's Inheritance, which contain'd ninety
 79. two Knights Fees, and a third Part. He mar-
 ry'd *Mary*, Daughter and, at length, sole
 Heir to *Will. de Redvers* Earl of *Devon*, and
 dy'd 7 *Cal. Aug.* 1242, 26 *Hen. II.*, leaving
 his Son *John* his Heir; who, doing his Ho-
 mage, and paying 100 Marks for his Relief,

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Anno 27 Henry III, had Livery of all his Lands; and Anno 38 Hen. III, upon levying the Aid for making the King's eldest Son a Knight, paid 205 l. 10 s. for those ninety two Knights Fees, and three Parts, belonging to this Honour of Okehampton. He departed this Life 5 Non. Maii, 1273, 1 Edw. I, being then seiz'd of the Manor and Borough of Okehampton, leaving Issue, by Emme his Wife, Hugh his Son and Heir; who doing his Fealty and paying his Relief, had Livery of his Inheritance, Anno 4 Edward I. He marry'd Alianore Daughter of Hugh le Despencer, (Father of Hugh Earl of Winchester) and by her had Issue Hugh his Son and Heir, the first Earl of Devon of this Family, who took to Wife Agnes, Daughter to St. John: *Ibidem*, At the Time of his Death, which happen'd p. 638.

Anno 14 Edw. III, he was found seiz'd of the Castle, Manour, Honour, and Hundred of Plimpton, with its Members; and of the Manour and Hundred of Tiverton; (of which last Premises he had Livery Anno 25 Edw. I, on Account of their hereditarily descending to him by the Death of Isabell de Fortibus Countess of Devon and Albemarle, Lady of Plimpton and Tiverton) he was also then possess'd, in his own Right, of the Castle and Honour of Okehampton. To which great Inheritance Hugh, his second Son, became Heir, (because John, his eldest Son, betook himself to a monastick Life in his Youth.) This Earl marry'd Margaret Daughter of Humphry de Bohun Earl of Hereford, and had by her Issue, John, Thomas, and Edward; all which deceas'd

Dug. Bar.
Vol. I. p.
637.

ib. p. 639.

Ibid, p. 638.

Ibidem, p.

639.

Dug. Bar.
Vol. I. p.
64c.

Ibidem,
p. 641.

deceas'd in his Life-time: Whereupon, at his Death, which happen'd the *Saturday* preceding the *Feast* of the *Invention* of the *Holy Croß*, 51 *Edward III*, 1377, *Edward* his Grandson, aged twenty one Years, Son of his third Son *Edward*, was then found his Heir. He dy'd *December* 5, 1419, 7 *Henry V*, seiz'd, *inter alia*, of the *Manor, Castle, and Hundred* of *Plympton*, the *Borough, Manor, and Hundred* of *Tiverton*, and of the *Honour, Castle, and Manor* of *Okehampton*, with its *Appurtenances*, leaving *Hugh* his Son and Heir, 30 Years old; who soon after doing his *Homage*, had *Livery* of his Lands. He dy'd *June* 16, 10 *Henry V*, (*Thomas*, his Son and Heir, being then eight Years of Age,) leaving *Anne* his Widow, Daughter of *Richard Lord Talbot*, and Sister to *John Earl of Shrewsbury*, *inter alia*, in *Dowry*, the *Manor* of *Tiverton*, and *Hundred* of the same, and the *Perquisites* of the Court for the *Borough* of *Tiverton*, and 20 l. 8 s. 5 d. $\frac{1}{4}$ *Rent* of *Affize*, issuing out of divers *Burgages* there; which *Anne*, Anno 11 *Henry VI*, obtain'd *License* from the King to marry *John Botreaux*, Esq; and dy'd *Jan.* 16, 19 *Henry VI*. But to return to *Thomas* last mention'd; he dy'd *Feb.* 3, 36 *Henry VI*, and was succeeded by *Thomas* his Son and Heir, then 26 Years old; who doing his *Homage*, had *Livery* of his Lands. This Earl stoutly adher'd to *Henry VI*, against the House of *Tork*, for which he was beheaded at *Tork*, *April* 3, Anno 1 *Edward IV*, soon after the Loss of the *Battel* fought at *Towtonfield*, on

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Palm-Sunday, March 29; in which Fight Thomas his Son and Heir unhappily being engag'd, was, for that Offence, attainted in Parliament Novem. 4 following, but did not suffer Death; however, notwithstanding this his Attainder, Hen. his Brother, and Heir in Blood, found so much Favour from King Edward, that July 27, in the first Year of his Reign, he had Livery of all the Possessions which his said Brother was seiz'd of, or Thomas Earl of Devon, their Father; but of this he had small Benefit; for in February following, that Prince gave the Borough of Tiverton, with a great Part of the Possessions of Thomas Earl of Devon, attainted, unto Humphry Stafford of Southwyke, Kt. and to the Heirs Male of his Body, whom he afterwards advanc'd to the Title of Earl of Devon. However, he enjoy'd this new Honour but three Months and nineteen Days, being beheaded August 17, 9 Edward IV, at Bridgewater, for deserting the Earl of Pembroke; at which Time he was seiz'd, inter alia, of the Honour and Manor of Plympton, the Honour and Manor of Okehampton, and Borough of Tiverton: All which I find granted the same Year to Sir John Dynham, Kt. viz. the Honours, Castles, Manors, and Boroughs of Plympton and Okehampton, and also the Manor of Tiverton. But he held them not long; for Anno 11 Edward IV, I find George Duke of Clarence, the King's Brother, possess'd of them; who obtain'd a Confirmation of the Castle, Honour, Manor, and Hundred of Okehampton, in the 14th Year of

Dug. Bar.

ut supra.

Ib. Vol. I.

p. 173.

Ibid. Vol. I.

p. 514.

Dug. Bar.
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641.

of that King's Reign; but he being afterwards attainted in Parliament, *January 16, 17 Edward IV, 1477*, the Manor and Borough of *Tiverton*, the Manors and Lordships of *Plympton* and *Okehampton*, became vested in the Crown. However, on King *Henry the VIIth's* Accession thereto, he, favouring those Families who adher'd to the House of *Lancaster*, advanc'd not only Sir *Edward Courtenay* of *Hacombe*, Kt. Son of Sir *Hugh Courtenay* of *Boconnok*, Kt. Son of *Hugh*, younger Brother to *Edward* late Earl of *Devon*, unto the Title of Earl of *Devon*, *October 26, Anno Regni 1, 1485*; but also, upon the same Day, restor'd to him the Honours, Boroughs, and Manors of *Plympton* and *Okehampton*, and the Castle and Manor of *Tiverton*. This Earl, by his Will dated *March 27, 1 Henry VIII, 1510*, bequeath'd his Body to be bury'd in the Chapel of *Tiverton*, and was succeeded by *William* his Son and Heir; who deceasing *June 9, 3 Hen. VIII, 1512*, left, by *Catherine* his Wife, Daughter of *Edw. IV*, *Hen.* his Son and Heir, who was attainted in Parliament *Anno 31 Hen. VIII*; whereupon his Inheritance came to the Crown; among which, this his Manor and Castle of *Okehampton* falling into King *Henry the VIIIth's* Hands, that King soon dismantled the same, which had been for so many Years the Summer Habitation of the Earls of *Devon*, as *Tiverton* was their Winter Seat. He also destroy'd the Park, &c. and alienated, in great Measure, the Revenues of the *Courtenay's* Inheritance, and bestow'd

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bestow'd some small Portions thereof, at this Place, on *Peter Carew*, who got a Confirmation of it afterwards from *Queen Mary*; on whose Accession to the Crown, her Father's Act of Attainder being repeal'd, *Edward Courtenay*, Son to the last Marquis, succeeded in all his late Father's Titles; and had, by that Queen's Gift, a Revocation of the Grants of the Honours, Manors, and Castles of *Flympton*, *Tiverton*, and *Okehampton*; all which, on his Death, which happen'd September 18, 1556, descended to his Co-heirs, who by Inquisition were found to be the Descendants of his great Grandfather's four Sisters, viz. *Elizabeth* Wife to *John Tretberse*, Esq; *Maud* to *John Arundell*, Esq; *Isabell* to *Will. Mobun*, Esq; and *Florence* to *John Trelawney*, Esq; the first of which leaving only two Daughters, viz. *Elizabeth* marry'd to *John Vyvyan*, Esq; and *Margaret* to *Edw. Courtenay* of *Lerick*, Esq; each of those Families obtain'd thereby an eighth Share in these Manours, which I find continu'd in their Issue male, temp. Jac. I, in whose Reign the three other Moieties belong'd also to the *Arundells*, *Trelawneys*, and *Mobuns*; and on this Account, I presume, it was, viz. in regard of this his near Alliance in Blood to the *Courtenays*, the ancient Barons of this Place, that Sir *John Mobun*, Baronet, (Son of *Reginald*, Son of *John*, Son of *Reginald*, Son of *John*, who was Son of the afore-said *William de Mobun* and *Isabell Courtenay*) when he was by King *Charles I.* by Letters Patent dated April 15, 1628, Anno Regni 5, rais'd to the Dignity of a Peer of this Realm,

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that he hence took his Title, viz. of Baron *Mobun* of *Okehampton*, which flourish'd in five noble Persons of this Family, and is lately become extinct, on the Death of his great Grandson *Charles* Lord *Mobun*, slain with Duke *Hamilton* in Duel, November the 15th, 1712. But long before this, the *Mobun's* Inheritance in these aforesaid Manors have been alienated, and the Purparties of these Co-heirs so subdivided, that it will be a difficult Matter to trace out how their Lands have pass'd in Purchase, &c. in any of these Lordships of *Plympton*, *Tiverton*, and *Okehampton*. All I can conjecture of this Place is, that I presume *Mobun's* Moiety might have come, by Marriage, to *Christopher Harris*, Esq; of *Heynes*, one of the present Representatives of this Place, from his Ancestor, who marry'd a Daughter of the first Lord *Mobun*; and that Sir *Richard Vyyan* enjoys a Purparty still of his Ancestor's Possessions here; tho', as I am told, the Manour of the Borough, viz. Tolls of the Markets and Fairs, is vested in the eight principal Members of the Corporation.

EDWARD I.

28 P. at Linc. Rob. Ciffor, Tho. de Tanton.

EDWARD II.

7 P. at West. Hen. Glamb, Ric. Gourbrean.

CHARLES I.

16 P. at West. Laurence Whitaker, Edw. Thomas, Esqs;

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CHARLES II.

12 P. at West. John Calmady, Esq; Edw. Wise, Esq;
Rob. Reynolds.

13 at West. Edw. Wise, Esq; † Tho. Hele, Bart.

31 at West. Arthur Harris, Bart. Josias Calmady, jun. Esq;

31 at West. Arthur Harris, Bart. Josias Calmady, jun. Esq;

32 at Oxf. Arthur Harris, Bart. Geo. Carey, Kt.

† In his
Place,
John Har-
ris, Esq; in
whose Place
deceas'd,
Arthur
Harris, Et.

JAMES H.

1 P. at West. Simon Leach, Knight of the Bath, Will
Carey, Esq;

WILLIAM & MARY.

1 P. at West. Will. Carey, Esq; Hen. Northleigh, Esq;

2 at West. Will. Carey, Esq; † Hen. Northleigh, Esq;

† In his
Place, de-
ceas'd,
John Bar-
rington,
Esq;

WILLIAM III.

7 P. at West. John Barrington, Tho. Northmore, Esq;

10 at West. Will. Harris, Esq; Tho. Northmore, Esq;

12 at West. Will. Harris, Esq; Tho. Northmore, Esq;

13 at West. Will. Harris, Esq; Tho. Northmore, Esq;

ANNE.

1 P. at West. Simon Leach, Knight of the Bath, Tho.
Northmore, Esq;

4 at West. Thomas Northmore, Esq;

John Dibble, Esq;

Sim. Leach, Kt. of the Bath,

Tho. Northmore, Esq;

} Double Re-
turn, the last
taken off.

7 at West. John Dibble, Esq; Will. Harris, Esq;

9 at West. John Dibble, Esq; Christopher Harris, Esq;

12 at West. Christopher Harris, Esq; William North-
more, jun. Esq;

† In his
Place, de-
ceas'd,
Christoph,
Harris Esq

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BARNSTAPLE



Derives its Name, as *Risdon* tells us, *Vol. 1, p. 105, 106*, from *Bar*, which in *British* betokeneth the *Mouth of a River*, and *Staple*, which in *Saxon* signifies a *Staple*, or *Mart Town*, from selling *Merchandises* here. Concerning the *Original* of this Place, *Leland* informs us, that it owes its *Liberties and Privileges* to *King Athelstan*, who (as the *Inhabitants* say) made it a *Borough*, and built a *Castle* here; tho' 'tis more probable the *Castle* was the Work of *Jobel*, or *Judbael de Totnais*, to whom the *Conqueror* gave *Barnstaple*, which is mention'd in the *Norman Survey* to be the *King's Demesne Borough*, and was held by *King Edward*, having *forty Burgesses* within the *Borough*, and *nine without*; all which paid the *King* *forty Shillings by Weight*, and the *Bishop* of *Constance* *twenty nine by Tale*. This *Jobel*, or *Judbael*, enjoying also this Honour as he did that of *Totness*, built here a *Priory*, which was dedicated to the Honour of *St. Peter and Paul*, and

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St. Mary Magdalen, (the former Title it soon lost) and made it subordinate to the Monastery of St. Martin de Campis in Paris. The Revenues were rated, at the Dissolution, at 129 l. 15 s. 3 d. Speed. 123 l. 6 s. 7 d. Dugdale; tho' Risdon reckons them at 223 l. 6 s. 7 d. and says, the Founder propos'd to have lead his Life here, but was disappointed by William Rufus, who divested him of his Inheritance, and expell'd him the Kingdom, as spoken of in Totness. However, his great Grandson Will. de Braose, as I mention'd in that Borough, obtain'd, temp. Hen. II, a Purparty of the Honour of Barnstaple; and Anno 7 Ric. I, came to an Accord with Oliver de Traci, (Son and Heir of Henry de Traci, who, in the Time of King Stephen, held this Honour by the Gift of that King) the other Sharer of this Barony; by which Agreement Oliver pass'd his Title to William, on certain Conditions of paying him an Annuity of 20 l. per Annum, &c. But he being banish'd by King John, this Estate came to the Crown. However, his Son Reginald de Braose being restor'd to the good Favour of King Henry III, had Restitution of his Father's Purparty, which, I presume, afterwards reverted to the Crown at the latter End of Henry the III's Reign. As to the other Moiety, viz. of the Tracys, it pass'd, after the Death of Oliver de Traci, (which happen'd Anno 2 Edw. I, together with the Advowson of the Priory call'd St. Mary Magdalen's) in Marriage with his only Daughter Eve, to her Husband Guy de Brienne; who leaving Issue a Daughter

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nast. p. 44.

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nam'd *Maud*, marry'd to *Geffry de Camvile*. She was found to be his next Heir; whereupon her Husband, doing Homage, had Livery of this Honour, with other Lands of her Inheritance. He, in the Time of *Edw. I.*, being summon'd to set forth his Title to certain Liberties here, certify'd his Claim accordingly, which the Jury presented as follows, *viz.* That the Borough of Barnstaple was the Borough of this *Geffry de Camvile*; and that he held it from the Heirs of *William Martin*, and claim'd therein a Pillory, Ducking-Stool, and Gallows, with a Fair and Market. They also alledg'd, that his Ancestors had fully enjoy'd those Privileges, and return'd, that the Borough ow'd the King Knights Service, and was to find him four Foot-men, and as many Horse-men, for forty six Days in the Time of War, with Bows and Ar-

rows. But before this *Maud* became Wife to *Geffry Camvile*, she appears to have been marry'd to *Nicolas Martin*. However, having this Manor for Life, both her Husbands enjoy'd it in her Right; and after her Demise, 2 *Edw. II.*, *Will. Martin*, (who was no doubt) her Grandson, had Livery thereof; who having no Issue, his Sister *Elianor*, Wife to *Will.* (or rather *Philip*) *de Columbiers*, and his Nephew *James*, Son of *Nicolas de Audley*; by *Joan* his other Sister, became his Heirs; which *Philip* departing this Life without Issue, 16 *Edward III.*, was bury'd in the Priory of *Berstaple*: Whereupon *James de Audley*, Anno 17 *Edward III.*, doing Fealty to the King, had Possession of the Lands descended to him by the Death of *Philip de Columbiers*, and *Elia-*

for his Wife. This *James* was a most valiant Knight, and did great Feats in the Wars of France, which he had the good Fortune to survive; and deceasing *Anno 9 Ric. II.*, left *Nicolas* his Son and Heir, in whom ended the Male Line of this noble Family, the Title of which, viz. of Lord *Audley*, has survived, for many Generations, in his Sister *Jean Tutchet's* Family, Wife to *John Tutchet*, Ancestor to the present Lord *Audley*, Earl of *Castlehaven* in *Ireland*, the second Baron of this Kingdom. That this Manor and Honour came to the Crown after this noble Person's Death, appears by the several Grants divers of our Kings have successively made of it. *Temp. Ric. II., Hen. V and VI.* — *Holland*, Earl of *Huntingdon*, held *Barnstaple* Borough and Manor; and in *Edward the IVth's* Reign, that Prince granted *Barnstaple Castle and Borough*, late Possessions of *Henry Holland*, Duke of *Exeter*, to *Elizabeth* his Queen for Life, therein recited to have been before granted to *Anne* Dutches of *Tork*, his Daughter, and the Heirs of her Body. *Anno 1 Ric. III.*, *Tho. Everingham* obtain'd by Patent dated *March 5, 1484*, this Castle and Borough; which were confirm'd to *Sir John St. Leger*, *Anno 1 Henry VII.*; but that Prince afterwards gave it to his Mother, the Countess of *Richmond*. After which, *Henry VIII.*, by Letters Patent dated *March 9, Anno Regni 29*, bestow'd it, with the Advowson of the Vicaridge, on *William Lord How-*

ard. But I suppose these Grants were only for Life, or Term of Years, or on certain Remainders

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Rot. Pat.
Anno 1
R. 3.

Ibid. Anno
1 H. 7.

Ibid. Anno
29 H. 8.

Remainders; and that it was not altogether alienated from the Crown, 'till Queen Mary, by Letters Patent dated April 9, Anno 3 and 4 of her Reign, gave to Thomas Marrow, of the County of Warwick, Esq; Barnstaple Manor, and Advowson of the Vicaridge, and Impropriation of the Tythes of the Rectory, (which said Tythes I find confirm'd by William Brucher, Bishop of Exeter, Anno 1233, to the Priory of St. Mary Magdalen afore spoken of, and belong'd thereto 'till the Dissolution, about thirty Years before Marrow's Grant) whose Son sold it to the Family of the Chichesters, in whose Posterity this Manor continues, and is at present enjoy'd by Sir Arthur Chichester, Bart.

Dug. Mon.
Angl. Vol.
1. p. 1025.

Having thus deriv'd the Owners of this Borough, I beg Leave to exhibit some Records much talk'd of, and fabulously represented, relating to a long Controversy about certain Privileges belonging to Barnstaple, challeng'd in some Inquisitions, and disown'd in others. The first of these Inquisitions was occasion'd by a Writ of Enquiry made Anno 14 Edward III; and the Design of it was to contradict a Petition presented to the King's Majesty, the Substance of which is printed in Dr. Hody, in his Book of Convocations, and may there be seen, Page 375; which being also much the same as Number 2 here given, I need not repeat; 'tis dated June 23, 14 Edward III, and being taken before the King's Justices, and enter'd on Record, several of the Inhabitants of this Borough judg'd it might be pre-

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prejudicial to them; whereupon the same Year, viz. *An. 14 Edw. III.* they likewise petition'd; and thereby obtaining a Writ of Enquiry, in Execution of the same, entirely disclaim'd the Allegations of their Opponents; who, on that Account, renewing their first Pretensions, irritated the contrary Party to declare a second Time against their Privileges. But I shall recite them from the Originals translated from the *Latin*, and submit them to the Judicious, who will, I believe, scarcely, if they well consider them, ground the same Opinion as Dr. *Hody* infers from the Inquisition by him cited, viz. *That Barnstaple sent two Burgesses to Parliament in the Time of King Athelstan.*

All these Inquisitions were taken before the King's Justices, in Presence of the High Sheriff, on Oath of a Jury of twelve Persons impannell'd; who, upon the Execution thereof, set thereto their Hands and Seals. I forbear the reciting the Names of the Parties concern'd; otherwise the entire Substance of the Records are compriz'd.

The first (which is in Answer to what was transacted in *June* preceding) bears Date in *August*, the *Thursday* after the *Assumption* of the blessed *Virgin Mary*, in the 14th Year of the Reign of *K. Edward III* over *England*, and his first over *France*. It was taken at *Southmolton*, upon the Oaths of twelve Persons, who say, "That *Barnstaple* is a Borough, and that the Burgesses cannot demise their Tenements by Will; and that they may chuse a Mayor, with the Consent of the Lord of the said Town; and that all Pleas

I.
Ex Bunæll Eschaet.
A. 14. E.
3. in Tur. London.

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“ concerning the Borough and Suburbs,
 “ ought to be held before the Steward of
 “ the Lord of the Town, and not before
 “ the Mayor; and that they were wont to
 “ send two Burgeses to Parliament; and
 “ that they were tax’d separately; and that
 “ they cannot assert, whether they were free
 “ from Toll; and that the Lord of the Bo-
 “ rough hath, and ought to have, Assize of
 “ Bread and Beer, and Assays of Weights and
 “ Measures, and a Pillory and Ducking-Stool;
 “ and that K. *Athelstan*’s Charter does not a-
 “ vail them any Thing concerning the said
 “ Liberties; and that if the said Liberties, as
 “ requested, be granted to the said Burgeses,
 “ it will be to the King’s Prejudice 10 l. per
 “ *Ann.* and to the Privileges of *Philip de Co-*
 “ *lumbaniis*, and *Alianor* his Wife 40 Marks,
 “ and of the Abbat of *Clyve* 40 s. and the Bi-
 “ shop of *Exeter* 40 s. and of *Ralph de Blaymon-*
 “ *ston*, Lord of *Heanton*, 40 s. and of *Robert*
 “ *Beaupel* 6 s. 8 d. and of *Tbo. de Raleigh* 6 s. 8 d.

The second was taken at *Barnstaple*, in 17
 2. *Edw. III.*, on the *Saturday* after the *Circumcision*
Ex Bundell of our Lord, in *January*, upon the Oaths of a
Eschaet. Jury of twelve Persons, who to corroborate
A. 17. E. their Plea made *June 23*, 14 *Edw. III.*, again
3. in Tur. insist, “ That the Town of *Barnstaple* is, and
London. “ was a free Borough Time out of Mind.
 “ They likewise say, That the Burgeses of
 “ the Town aforesaid, and their Ancestors,
 “ have us’d and enjoy’d divers Liberties and
 “ free Customs by the Charter of the Lord
 “ *Athelstan*, of famous Memory, late King
 “ of *England*, Progenitor of the Lord the
 “ King

" King that now is, which belong'd to the
" said Borough from the Time of making the
" said Charter; and they at present do en-
" joy and use the same, viz. that they may
" bequeath their Tenements in the said Bo-
" rough, and Suburbs of the same, by their
" last Will and Testament, to whom they
" will; and that they ought to chuse a
" Mayor among themselves, before whom,
" and the Steward of the Lord of the Bo-
" rough aforesaid, all Pleas relating to the
" Borough, and Suburbs of the same, are to be
" pleaded and determin'd; and that they send
" to every Parliament of our Lord the King
" two Burgessees to Parliament. They also say,
" that in all Taxes and Subsidies to the said
" King, or his Progenitors, late Kings of
" England, by the Citizens and Burgessees of
" the said Kingdom granted, they were tax'd
" by themselves, and not with Foreigners;
" and from Pontage, Passage, Murage, Pa-
" vage, Lastage, Standage, and Picage, through-
" out the whole Kingdom, hitherto have
" been free; and that they were wont to
" have, and still have, Assize of Bread and
" Beer in the said Borough, and Suburbs of
" the same, and Assay of Measures and
" Weights, and also a Ducking-Stool and a
" Pillory; and they say the aforesaid Char-
" ter of the aforesaid Liberties and Customs
" to the same Burgessees, by their said Lord
" Athelstan made, was casually lost. They
" likewise say, That it is not to the Da-
" mage or Prejudice of the said Lord the
" King, or any other whatsoever, if the
" said

" said Lord the King, for himself, and his
 " Heirs, grant to the same Burgesſes, their
 " Heirs and Succeſſors, full Return of all
 " their Writs and Summons concerning the
 " aforeſaid Borough, and Suburbs of the
 " ſame; and that the Sheriff of the ſame
 " Lord the King of the County aforeſaid,
 " or any other Bayliff or Miniſter of the
 " Lord the King, or of his Heirs, by no
 " Manner of Means ſhall enter that Bo-
 " rough, to do and exerciſe his Office on
 " Account of any Writs, or ſuch like Sum-
 " mons in the Borough, and Suburb afore-
 " ſaid, unleſs by Default of the Mayor,
 " and Bayliffs of the ſame Borough; and
 " that they may chuſe of themſelves a Co-
 " roner, by the Writs of the Lord the King,
 " and his Heirs, to do and execute the Of-
 " fice of a Coroner in the Borough afore-
 " ſaid: And that it is lawful for the Bur-
 " geſſes of the Borough aforeſaid, to have
 " a Fair in the ſaid Borough every Year,
 " to continue for four Days, viz. on the
 " Eve and the Day of the bleſſed *Mary Mag-*
 " *dalen*, and the two next Days following;
 " and it is not lawful for them to be im-
 " pannell'd with Foreigners, nor Foreign-
 " ers with them in Aſſizes, Juries, or any
 " Inquiſitions.

3. The third was [taken at *Chepyng Toriton*,
Ex Bundell the Friday in *Eaſter-Week*, Anno 18 *Edw. III.*
Eſchaet. in upon the Oaths of a Jury of twelve Perſons,
Tur. Lond. who ſay, " That the Town of *Barnſtaple* is
A. 18. E. " a Borough, and that *James de Audelegh*
 3. " holds the ſame, with its Members, of the
 " King

" King in chief, by Barony; and that the
 " Burgeffes cannot demise by Will their Te-
 " nements, neither were they wont so to do;
 " and that by the Consent of the Lord of the
 " Town, they may choose a Mayor; and
 " that they have no Charter of the King's, or
 " his Progenitors, for the said Election; and
 " that all Pleas relating to the said Borough
 " ought to be held before the Steward, as
 " customary, and not before the Mayor;
 " and that they ought not, or were wont to
 " betax'd separately; and that the Lord of
 " the said Town, *de Jure*, ought to have
 " Assize of Bread and Beer, and Assaye of
 " Weights and Measures, and a Ducking-
 " Stool and Pillory within the said Borough,
 " and was us'd to have, and not the Burgef-
 " ses; and that King *Atbelstan's* Charter a-
 " vaileth them not; and that if the King
 " grants them Return of Writs, and debars
 " his Sheriff or Officers from intermeddling
 " with the said Borough, it will be to his
 " Prejudice, as well as to the Detriment of
 " the Abbot of *Clype*, who holds the Manor
 " and Hundred of *Branncceton* in Fee-Farm
 " of the King, paying yearly 22*l.* 10*s.* and
 " that the said Town of *Barnstaple* is Parcel
 " of the said Hundred, and within the Pre-
 " cincts of the same; and that the Abbot's
 " Officers us'd to execute all Writs, Executi-
 " ons, &c. within the said Borough and
 " Suburbs of the same; and that it will be
 " to the Damage of the Prior of *St. Mary*
 " *Magdalen* in *Barnstaple*, who holds a Lord-
 " ship in the said Borough of seventeen Te-
 " nements,

"neiments, which are Part of the Leet of
 "Bradeford, and the said Leet is Part of the
 "said Hundred, and the said Priory is in
 "the King's Hands; and that Robert Beaupel, Chivaler, has in the said Borough a
 "certain Fee, call'd *Hoggesfee*, of which are
 "held twenty six Tenements, and he holds
 "his Court once in three Weeks; and if
 "they have the Liberty of electing a Coroner, it will be 1000*l.* Detriment to the
 "Commonalty, because there are many Malefactors and Rioters within the said Town;
 "and that the Lord of the said Town has
 "every Week a Market, on *Wednesdays* and
 "*Fridays*; and that it will be to the Damage
 "of the Lord of the said Town, if the King
 "grants the Burgesles a Fair; and that it
 "will be prejudicial to the King, if he acquits them from being impanell'd on Juries at Assizes for a third Part of the Hundred of *Braunceton*; and that the Sheriff
 "once a Year holds his Court for the aforesaid Hundred of *Braunceton* in the said
 "Town of *Barnstaple*; and they say, that
 "the Mayor, and twelve Men of the said
 "Town, ought to appear before the said
 "Sheriff, and present all Matters relating to
 "the said Borough, at the Sheriff's Court,
 "which are indictable; and that the said
 "Burgesles ought, and were wont, to find
 "two Men of the said Borough, to collect
 "the Rents, Amercements, Tolls, and Profits of Fairs and Markets, for the Use of
 "the Lord of the Borough; and that if the
 "said Town, by the Minority of the Heir
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“ of the said *James*, or otherwise, by Forfeiture, should become vested in the King, if he, the said King, should grant the Privileges aforesaid to the said Burgeses, it would be to the great Detriment of the said King and of many others.

That it was no common Thing for these Inquisitions to contradict one another, I have before observ'd; however, I have not Room here to enter into an Argument about it. All I can indeed perceive in these first Petitions, was an Endeavour of the Inhabitants to get a Charter of the King, to exonerate them from their Lord's Jurisdiction.

I shall sum up my Account of this Place from some small Extracts of *Risdon* and *Le-land*, the former of which tells us, that *Barnstaple* was once walled; and that it has Privileges and Liberties as in a City, and is pleasantly seated among Hills, and fair built, and populous, and including the Suburbs, not inferior to some Cities; that the Town is built in Form of a Semicircle upon the River; and the Streets are clean, and fairly pav'd; and the principal Ornaments of Building, are the Bridge crossing the River, fair and strong built by one *Stamford* of London, and as some say, by a Ferry there kept, towards the North of which are the Reliques of a Castle to be seen, which he makes the second remarkable Thing of the Town. Of the destroying of this Castle, there is an Order Anno 12 Hen. III, wherein the Walls were order'd to be taken down to the Heighth of ten Feet. The third Thing our Author remarks, is the *Priory* aforesaid, in the Garden of which, he

Risdon's Survey of Devon. Vol. 1. p. 105, 106.

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he says, was lately found the Proportion of a Knight, lying cross-legg'd, with his Sword and Sheild; which looks as if it was destroy'd soon after the Reformation.

*Risdon's
Survey of
Devon,
Vol. 2. p.
411, 412,
413.*

*ib. Vol. 1.
p. 146.*

The same Author tells us, that temp. Will. I, Barnstaple did no Service but when Exeter did; and that 'twas incorporated by Hen. I. with many Privileges; and King John gave it a Mayor and two Bailiffs; and Queen Mary ordain'd two Aldermen, and a Common Council of twenty four; and that it descended from the Traci's to the Martins and Audleys, and for want of Issue of Nicolas Lord Audley, came to Richard II, who gave it to his Brother John Holland Duke of Exeter. He farther adds, that in his Time the Chichesters own'd the Honour. All the aforesaid Privileges have been since ratify'd and confirm'd by King James I, January 23, Anno Regni 8.

The Corporation consists of a Mayor, twenty four Common Council Men, or capital Burgesses, of which two are Aldermen; besides which, here are a High Steward, Recorder, Deputy-Recorder, and other Officers. The Members of Parliament are elected by the Mayor, Aldermen, capital Burgesses, and common Burgesses, who are in Number upward of 200; and the Returning Officer is the Mayor.

*Madox's
Hist. of the
Exchequer,
p. 112.*

This Town is dignify'd, by giving Title to one of the four Archdeacons of Exeter Diocese, which it did anciently, I suppose, from the first founding an Archdeaconry in that Place. Anno 31 Hen. II, Roger, Archdeacon of Bardestaple, ow'd 10 l. for a Year's Rent of his Archdeaconry. And Anno 38 Hen. III,

III. *Walter de Pembrok*, Archdeacon, claim'd Pryn's Hi-
Return of Writs here; as did, *Anno 10 Edw.* story of
I. *Ralph de Hemyok*, Official of this Archdea- England,
conry, *Placita de Namio vetito*, and other Tom. 3. p.
Pleas, which he alledg'd many Archdeacons 108, b.
held Time out of Mind. Placita

The Church here, which is dedicated to Coron. a-
St. Peter and St. Paul, had, before the Refor- pud Exon.
mation, several Chantries founded in it; as, Anno 9.
Our Lady's Chantry, founded by one *Thomas* incip. 10.
Helman, in a Chapel of our Lady; and St. E. I. R. 12
Anne's, founded by one *Henry Admyu*, in a Dow.
Chapel of our Lady in the Church-yard; be- Ex Rot.
sides which were St. *Nicholas's* Chantry, Cantar. in
and a free Chapel built upon the End of the Cur. Aug-
Bridge, all which I find Mention of in the ment.
Chantry-Rolls, in the Survey taken *Anno*
37 Hen. VIII., which also sets forth, that
Barnstaple was a Borough, and an Haven-
Town, and peopled, by Estimation, with
two thousand houseling People, or Commu-
nicants. But besides the Church, here were,
as *Risdon* intimates, divers Chapels, which
were no less than four, as *Leland* describes
them, with whose accurate Survey I shall
conclude.

"The Towne of *Berdenestaple* (says he) Leland's
hath be waullid, and the Waulle was in lin Vol. 2.

"Cumpace by Estimation half a Myle. It is p. 53.

"now almost clene faullen. The Names of
"the 4 Gates, by *Est*, *West*, *North*, and
"South, yet remain, and manifest Tokens
"of them.

"I think that the olde Name of the Towne
"was in the *Britanne Tunge*, *Abertaw*, by-

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"cause

" cause it stode toward the Mouth of *Ta*
 " Ryver.

" The Suburbes be now more than the
 " Toun.

" The Houses be of Stone, as al Houses in
 " good Tounes there aboate be.

" There be manifest Ruines of a great
 " Castelle at the *North-West* Side of the
 " Towne, a litle beneth the Toun Bridge;
 " and a peace of the Dungeon yet standeth.
 " One *Johelus de Totenes, filius Aluredi*, was the
 " first that I can reade of that lay yn this
 " Castelle.

" There is but one Paroch Chirch in the
 " Town.

" There hath beene 4 Chapelles yn the
 " Toun, of the which one was at the Est
 " End of the Bridge, dedicate to *Thomas Be-*
 " ket, now profanid.

" The other 3 yet stande, one of *Albal-*
 " owes at the *North* Gate, another of *St. Ni-*
 " colas at the *West* Gate, as I remembre.

" One *Holman*, Vicar of the Paroche
 " Chirch in *Ber staple*, made a fair Chapelle,
 " and foundid a Cantuarie in it, in the Pa-
 " roche Chirch-yard in *Ber staple*.

" The Priorie of Blake Monkes, at the
 " Northe Ende of the Towne, was founded
 " by *Johelus de Totenes*, that was Lorde of
 " the Town and Castelle of *Ber staple*.

" A Fair at the Nativite of our Lady at
 " *Ber staple*.

Leland's It-
in. Vol. 2.
p. 54.

" One *Traci* was after Lorde of the Castelle
 " and Toun of *Ber staple*, and taken as Foun-
 " der of the Priorie.

" Sum

" Sum say, that one of the *Tracy's* made
" the right great and sumptuous Bridge of
" Stone (having 16 high Arches) at *Bersta-*
" *ple.*

" There be Landes gyven to the Mainte-
" naunce of this Bridge.

" One *Philippus de Columbariis* was after
" Lord of *Berstaple*; and this *Philip* dy'd
" *circa Annum Domini* 1344, or 47; he and
" his Wife lay booth bury'd in the Priory
" of *Berstaple.*

" There lay summe of the Barons of
" *Slane yn Ireland* buryed in *Berstaple* Priory.

" Then was one *William Mertun*, a Knight,
" Lord of *Berstaple.*

" The Duke of *Excester* was of late Days
" Lord of *Berstaple.*

" The Countes of *Richemont*, Grand-Dame
" to *Hen. VIII.* was Lady of *Berstaple.*

" *Henry* late Duke of *Richemont* and *So-*
" *mersete* was Lord of *Berstaple.*

" There is a Mair in *Berstaple*, and the
" Burgeses take King *Ethelstan* as chief Giver
" of Privileges to the Toun.

The said Author farther informs us of the
building the Bridge, by one *Stanford* a Mer-
chant of *London*, by the Occasion of a poor
Woman's being drown'd in passing from *Pil-*
ton to *Barnstaple*, of which Place, falsly
wrote *Plympton*, is a large Description, and
of the Owners thereof; and how the Church
was impropriated to the Abby of *Malmesbury*
by King *Athelstan*; and that the East Side of
the Toun belong'd to the Abby of *Clif*, for

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the most Part, and the North-West Side to the Priory of *Barnstaple*, and that it was divided from the North Suburb and Priory of *Barnstaple* by a great Causey of Stone, having an arch'd Bridge at each End of it; which Bridge, as *Prince* tells us in the Life of Sir *John Stomford*, Lord Chief Baron, was built by him, temp. *Edw. III.* and that his Name was mistaken for *Stamford*, and that by ignorant Persons who were unacquainted with his Profession, by reason of his Residence at *London*, might term him of that Place, all which seems probable.

Leland's
Itin. Vol. 3.
p. 92, 93.

In the third Volume of *Leland*, there is also a Repetition of several of the aforesaid Accounts mention'd in his second Volume, viz. of King *Athelstan*'s giving great Privileges to *Barnstaple*; and that the Compass of the Walls was more than half a Mile, and that several of the Lords of *Slane* were bury'd in *Barnstaple* Priory, the Effigies of one of whom, or of *Philip de Columbaris*, might perhaps be the Statue *Risdon* tells us of, which was dug up, in his Time, in *Barnstaple* Priory.

EDWARD I.

- 23 P. at West. Walter. le Barnestaple, Durant. le Cordi-
waner.
- 26 at York, Philip Brideport, John Pindumme.
- 28 at Linc. Will. de Urye, Bernard le Boghe.
- 30 at Lond. Tho. Gemyan, Ric. Wegg.
- 33 at West. Matthew de Chimenore, Ralph Walemere.
- 34 at West. Ralph Wynemere, Walter de Pletyngdon.
- 35 at Carlisle, Ralph Wylemer, Philip Scherpe.

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- 1 P. at Northton. Ralph Wylemer, Matth. de Chynore.
- 2 at West. Will. Mabbeton, Tho. de Yabberton.
- 6 at West. Ralph Wynnomere, Rob. de Meddon.
- 7 at West. Ralph Wynnomere, Rob. de Meddon.
- 8 at West. Bernard le Bogh, Ralph Wynnomere.
- 12 at York, Ralph de Wynnomere, Tho. atte Mylle.
- 15 at West. Bernard atte Bogh, John Stury.
- 19 at West. Bernard atte Bogh, Tho. atte Barre.

EDWARD III.

- 2 P. at New Sarum, Tho. de la Barre, Viscent Barnstaple.
- 4 at West. Geffry Flittington, Geffry Pilton.
- 4 at West. Geffry Flittington, Geffry Pilton.
- 6 at West. Geffry Flittington, Will. Scottore.
- 6 at York, Rob. Southray, Adam Hakkam.
- 8 at West. John Collacote, Tho. atte Barre.
- 9 at West. Rob. Luctcomb, Walter Hugh.
- 9 at York, John Collacote, Tho. atte Barre.
- 10 Council at Nott. Geffry Flittington, Tho. atte Barre.
- 11 P. at West. Geffry Fardell, Geffry Flittington.
- 11 at West. Rob. Aubell, Geffry Flittington.
- 12 at West. Tho. atte Barre, Tho. Fardell.
- 12 at York, Ralph Winnock, John Aubell.
- 14 at West. Geffry Flittington, Edmund Penny.
- 14 at West. Tho. atte Barre, Tho. Pole.
- 14 at West. Bernard atte Bogh, John Coldcote.
- 15 at West. Tho. de Crauthorne, Will. atte Welle.
- 17 at West. Simon de Braysford, John Merewood.
- 21 at West. Roger Moliende, Ralph Axbridge.
- 22 at West. Walter Marshall, Will. Houncore.
- 24 at West. John Mille, Ric. Hacche.
- 25 at West. John Mille, Rob. de Hacche.
- 29 at West. John Wincauldon, John Bozoun.
- 31 at West. Rob. Hacche, Tho. More.
- 34 at West. Walter Fepp, John Burgeys.
- 36 at West. Gregory Hakeworthy, Will. Cary.
- 36 at West. John Hille, Tho. Moore.
- 37 at West. Walter Feppe, John Mille.
- 38 at West. John Aston, Tho. Moore.
- 42 at West. Rob. Hatche, Rob. Moore.

- 43 P. at West. Rob. Hache, John Sadlere.
 45 Council at Winchester, Will. Torner.
 46 P. at West. John Coppleston, Tho. Reymond.
 47 at West. John Coppleston, John Cross.
 50 at West. John Coppleston, Tho. Raymond.

RICHARD II.

- 1 P. at West. John Coppleston, Tho. Raymond,
 2 at Glouc. John Fouk, Alfr. Wiche.
 3 at West. John Coppleston, John Pouke.
 6 at West. John Cross, John Bidewell.
 7 at New Sarum, Gilbert Newburgh, Hen. Wyld.
 8 at West. John Prous, Elias Beare.
 9 at West. John Gray, John Heurys,
 10 at West. John Bradwell, John Antony.
 11 at West. Tho. Norreys, Will. Long.
 12 at Camb. John Sampford, Roger Rede.
 12 at West. Rob. Cook, Tho. Norreys.
 15 at West. John Ashon, Rob. Combre.
 17 at West. John Bydeville, Tho. Norreys.
 18 at West. Tho. Norreys, John Bridwill.
 20 at West. Rob. Napton, Tho. Holman,

HENRY IV.

- 1 P. at West. Tho. Haupere, Walter Spenser,
 3 at West. Rob. Napton, John Gurr.
 8 at Glouc. John Bakewell, John Hunt.
 12 at West. Nic. Bromford, Alured Wonston,

HENRY V.

- 1 P. at West. Tho. Haslegh, John Broomford,
 2 at West. John Pyne, John Walwayne.
 7 at Glouc. John Luttrell, Tho. Pyers.
 8 at West. Will. Weld, Walter Prideaux.
 9 at West. John Burley, Hen. Sadler.

HENRY VI.

- 1 P. at West. Ric. Wode, Walter atte Barre,
 2 at West. John Cockworthy, John Moore.
 3 at West. Tho. Passaware, Will. Whitfield,

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- 4 P. at Leic. Ric. Thorne, Walter Harry.
 6 at West. John Treble, John Screte.
 8 at West. John Cockworthy, Tho. Hill.
 9 at West. James Gascoine, John Wydeslade.
 11 at West. John Woolston, Tho. Giffard.
 13 at West. John Cokeworthy, John Wolston.
 15 at Camb. John Bere, Hugh Champernoun.
 20 at West. Reginald Bertlet, John Clerke.
 25 at Camb. Walter Heyngham, Will. Davy.
 27 at West. John Dennys, Hen. Redwyne.
 28 at West. John Creech, Ric. Truman.
 29 at West. Tho. Gyll, Hen. Redwyne.
 33 at West. John Radford, Walter Ganecoate.

EDWARD IV.

- 7 P. at West. Tho. Stydolf, Reginald Morton.
 12 at West. Gervase Horne, Geo. Longeville.
 17 at West. John Culme, John Foke.

EDWARD VI.

- 1 P. at West.
 6 at West.

MARY.

- 1 P. at West. Rob. Carye, Rob. Worthe.
 1 at Oxford, John Pollard, Kt. George Fenys, Gent.

PHILIP & MARY.

- 1 & 2 P. at West. Rob. Apley, Mayor, Will. Saltysby.
 2 & 3 at West. Rob. Apley, Mayor, Geo. Stapleton.
 4 & 5 at West. Ric. Skinner, Will. Salisbury.

ELIZABETH.

- 1 P. at West.
 5 at West. Arthur Bassett, Esq; Rob. Apley, Gent.
 13 at West. Peter Wentworth, Gent. Rob. Apley, Gent.
 14 at West. Vincent Skinner, Gent. Rob. Apley, Gent.
 27 at West. John Periam, Gent. Rob. Prowse.
 28 at West. Tho. Hinson, Gent. Lewis Darte, Gent.

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- 31 P. at West. John Hinson, Gent. John Dodderidge, Gent.
 35 at West. Geo. Chitting, Gent. Ric. Leigh, Gent.
 39 at West. Tho. Hinson, George Perde.
 43 at West. Edw. Hancocke, Gent. Ric. Martyn, Gent.

JAMES I.

- 1 P. at West. Tho. Hinson, Esq. Geo. Peard, Gent.
 12 at West. John Delbridge, Merchant, Pentecost Dod-
 18 at West. John Delbridge, Merchant, Pentecost Dod-
 21 at West. John Delbridge, Merchant, Pentecost Dod-
 deridge, Merchant.

CHARLES I.

- 1 P. at West. Pentecost Dodderidge, Merchant, John
 Delbridge, Merchant.
 1 at West. Alex. St. John, Kt. John Delbridge, Merchant.
 3 at West. Alex. St. John, Kt. John Delbridge, Merchant.
 15 at West. Geo. Peard, Esq. Tho. Matthew, Merchant.
 16 at West. Geo. Peard, Esq. Ric. Ferris, Esq;
 Philip Skippon, Esq; Serjeant, Major-General.
 John Dodderidge, Esq;

CHARLES II.

- 12 P. at West. John Roll, Esq; Nic. Dennis, Esq;
 † In his 13 at West. † John Chichester, Bart. Nic. Dennis, Esq;
 Place, 31 at West. Hugh Ackland, Kt. John Bassett, Esq;
 John 31 at West. Hugh Ackland, Kt. John Bassett, Esq;
 Northcott 32 at Oxford, John Bassett, Esq; Ric. Lee, Esq;
 Bart.

JAMES II.

- 1 P. at West. Arthur Chichester, Bart. John Bassett, Esq;

WILLIAM & MARY.

- 1 P. at West. Arthur Chichester, Bart. Ric. Lee of
 Winslade, Esq;
 2 at West. Geo. Hutchins, Kt. Arthur Champneys,
 Esq;

WILLIAM

WILLIAM III.

- 7 *P.* at West. Nic. Hooper, Esq; Arthur Champneys, Esq;
 10 at West. Nic. Hooper, Esq; Arthur Champneys, Esq;
 12 at West. Nic. Hooper, *Serjeant at Law*, Arthur
 Champneys, Esq;
 13 at West. Nic. Hooper, *Serjeant at Law*, Arthur
 Champneys, Esq;

ANNE.

- 1 *P.* at West. Nic. Hooper, *Serjeant at Law*, Arthur
 Champneys, Esq;
 4 at West. Nic. Hooper, *one of her Majesty's Serjeants
 at Law*, Sam. Rolle, jun. Esq;
 7 at West. Ric. Ackland, Esq; Nic. Hooper, *one of
 her Majesty's Serjeants at Law*.
 9 at West. Nic. Hooper, Kt. *one of her Majesty's Ser-
 jeants at Law*, Ric. Ackland, Esq;
 12 at West. Arthur Chichester, Bart. Nic. Hooper, Kt.
one of her Majesty's Serjeants at Law.



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Brady of
Boroughs,
p. 41.



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Rot. Pat.

*A. 19 H. 6. that we have granted to our beloved Burgeses of
pt. 1. m. 7. Plympton, the Borough of Plympton, with the
Market, Fairs, and every Thing thereto belong-
ing, to have and to hold of me and my Heirs for
ever, (as fully and freely as the Citizens of Exe-
ter hold their City, &c.) paying yearly 24 l. 2 s.
2 d. He also farther grants, that these Burges-
ses should be free from Toll. 'Tis dated Mar. 25,*

1241,

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1241. 25 Hen. III; which was afterwards confirm'd by *Isabella de Fortibus*, his Heir and Successor in this Earldom.

This Borough is situated in a Valley, above a Mile from the River *Plym*, from whence it receives its Name, as do several other Places lying upon or near this River. It consists of two Streets, of ordinary Buildings, one running from North to South, and another from East to West, beginning about the Middle of the first Street, insomuch that the whole is in Figure like a Roman T. 'Tis term'd *Earls-Plympton*, and *Plympton-Maurice*, to distinguish it from *Plympton-Mary*, (heretofore the Mother-Church, tho' 'tis now reckon'd distinct from it) from whence 'tis distant about half a Mile; and formerly the Inhabitants repair'd thither to hear Divine Service, before the erecting of the Church or Chapel here, dedicated to *St. Maurice*, (which Saint is said to have been a Tribune of a Legion of Soldiers under Maximian the Emperor, call'd the Thebean Legion, who, together with it, with his Troop, refusing to do Sacrifice to Idols, was cruelly put to Death at Agaunum in France, about the Year 296; his Festival is Sept. 22.) It stands on the North Side of the Town, and is about ninety Feet in Length and sixty in Breadth, and has a good Tower of about an hundred Feet or more in Heighth.

This Chapel of *St. Maurice*, or *Morys*, (as *Ex Archiv.* it is there call'd) is said in the Chantry-Rolls to in Curia have been founded by one John Brackeley, for Augment. the continual finding of a Priest to minister therein, it being distant half a Mile from the Mother-
U u 2 Church

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Prince's
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Church Plympton-Mary, to which it is a Chapel appendant, or Daughter. On the East Side of the Church is a very handsome free School, the best in these Parts, being well endow'd with Lands of 100 l. per Annum, and having a good House and Gardens for the Master, and an handsome School-Room (standing on Stone Pillars) sixty Feet in Length, and twenty in Breadth; it was built Anno 1664, by Sir John Maynard, one of the Trustees of *Elizeus Hele* of *Fardel* in the Parish of *Cornwood*, Esq; who bequeath'd 1500 l. per Ann. to charitable Uses, out of which the said School was founded, and several other Benefactions given, divers whereof were bestow'd at other Boroughs in this County, as *Plymouth*, *Totness*, &c. as *Prince* informs us. Near the Western End of the Town is the Guild-Hall, standing on Stone Pillars, where the Corn-Market is kept. Here are five Fairs yearly, and one at *Underwood*, a Village about a Furlong from hence, in the Limits of this Borough, tho' parishing to *Plympton St. Mary*. On the North Side of the Town stood the Castle, the Site of which contain'd about two Acres, but the Walls are now almost entirely demolish'd; it was encompass'd with a Ditch still in Being, and for the most Part full of Water, in which are good Store of Carps. At a little Distance from it is a Mount of Earth, of about two hundred Feet in Circumference, and seventy in Heighth, of a pyramidical Form, with a circular Wall at Top.

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The Number of Houses in this Town is about two hundred, and the Electors of Members of Parliament somewhat more than half as many, they being computed at one hundred and four. The Right of Election is in the free Burgeses, or Freemen, all sworn by the Corporation, which consists of a Mayor, Recorder, and eight Aldermen, or principal Burgeses, who are called the Common Council.

But there being an Account of this Place in *Leland*, and also of *Plympton-Mary*, (which, tho' no Part of the Borough now, was heretofore 'till the building of the Castle, in this said Place the Town to which it belong'd as an Hamlet) I shall beg Leave to insert here

what he saith concerning them both, he *Leland's Itin. Vol. 3. p. 26, 27.* tells us, that when he travell'd hither, " he

" came over *Plym River*, and rode by *Torey*

" Brook [on which it standeth] to *Plympton-*

" *Mary*, so call'd, because the Church there

" dedicated to our Lady, and that the Glo-

" ry of this Town, stood by the Priory of

" *Black Canons*, there builded, and richly

" endow'd with Lands; the original Begin-

" ning of which was after this Fashion, One

" *William Warwist*, Bishop of *Exeter*, dis-

" pleas'd with the Canons or Prebendaries

" of the free Chapel of *Plympton*, of the

" Foundation of the *Saxon Kings*, (where

" was a Dean, or Provost, and four Prebenda-

" ries, with other Ministers) found Means to

" dissolve it. (The Prebendary of *Plympton* was

" one Title, and the Prebendary of *St. Peter &*

" *Paul at Sutton*, now call'd *Plymouth*, another.)

" To recompence which, he set up a Priory

" of

" of *Canons Regular*, and was bury'd himself in
 " the Chapter-House; and divers Noblemen
 " were Benefactors, as *Walter de Valletort*, a
 " Man of fair Possessions, who gave to it St.
 " *Nicolas Island* near *Plymouth*. In this Priory
 " Church were bury'd some of the *Courtenays*,
 " and many other Gentlemen." He likewise
 informs us, that " one Prior *Martin*, the 3d
 " or 4th Prior, builded the Substance of the
 " Church that there alate stood: And that
 " there was a Fair kept at *Plympton-Mary* on
 " St. *James's Day*." And also acquaints us,
 " That *Plympton-Thomas* is a quarter of a
 " Mile from *Plympton-Mary*, and was so call'd
 " of *Thomas Beckett*; but now the Church
 " there is of St. *Mauritius*, Knight and Mar-
 " tyr: And that in the Inside of the Town
 " is a fair large Castle, and Dungeon in
 " it, whereof the Walls yet stand, but the
 " Lodgings within be decay'd. And that
 " *Baldwin Redvers*, Earl of *Devon*, was Lord
 " of this Town and Castle; as was *Isabella de*
 " *Fortibus*, the last of that Family, who
 " gave great Privileges to her Town of
 " *Plympton*, where is a pretty Market; and
 " that since her Time the *Courtenays*, Earls of
 " *Devon*, were Lords of the Town and Castle,
 " of which last many Gentlemen held their
 " Lands." That this Priory was demolish'd
 soon after the *Reformation* seems plain from
Leland's saying, the Church that there a late
 stood; and since his Time, if any Part of the
 other Buildings were left, they are now
 likewise destroy'd, here being nothing at
 present remaining but some ruinous Walls.

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The Revenues of this Monastery (which was dedicated to St. Peter and St. Paul) at the Dissolution, were valu'd at 912 l. 12 s. 8 d. per Annum. And hereto were impropriated the Tythes of this Parish, which now belong to the Dean and Chapter of Windsor, by Gift of Edward VI, who, Anno Regni I, granted to that Collegiate Rectory and Church of Plympton, with the Chapels of Plymstoke and Plympton St. Maurice, late Parcel of the Lands of this dissolv'd Priory.

Tanner's
Notit. Mo-
nast. p. 43.

Asmole's
Order of
the Garter,
p. 172.

Concerning the Lords of this Borough, that it was granted by Henry I. to Richard de Redvers Earl of Devon, with the whole Honour of Plympton; and also how it descended to the Courtenays Earls of Devon, and on their Attainder, was given by Edward IV to Humphry Stafford Earl of Devon; and on his Forfeiture, bestow'd by that King first on Sir John Dynham, and afterwards on his Brother George Duke of Clarence, may be seen in Dugdale's Baronage, (Vol. I. p. 173, 255, 256, 320, 514, and 612, and Vol. 2, p. 80 and 164; and how the Courtenays had Restitution again, Anno I Henry VII, & Anno I Mar. at whose Accession to the Crown it remain'd in the Possession thereof, by the Attainder of Edward Seymour Duke of Somerset, to whom King Edward VI gave it by Letters Patent dated July 16, 1546, in the first Year of his Reign) some Account of which having shew'd in Okehampton, I need not repeat here; or how that, after the Death of the last Marquis of Exeter, Anno 1556, it was divided among his Coheirs, whose Descendants

scendants continu'd seiz'd of it for some Time.
 And a Purparty thereof still remains in one
 of them, viz. Sir *Richard Vyvyan*, Bart. who
 enjoys a Moiety of this Borough, Castle, and
 Manor; as *George Parker* of *Bovington*, Esq;
 does another fourth Part, which, as I hear,
 he purchas'd not long since of the Lord *Carteret*
 and one Mr. *Teo*, a *Cornish* Gentleman.
 The Remainder of this Borough, Castle,
 and Manor, is vested in *John Pollexfen* of
Wembury, Esq; whose Father, a Merchant,
 Brother to the late Lord Chief Justice of
 that Name, bought it of *Christopher Monk*
 late Duke of *Albemarle*, Son to the famous
 General *Monk*, who purchas'd *Wembury* of the
Heles.

EDWARD I.

- 23 P. at West. John Ghoſte, Ric. Herberd.
- 26 at York, John de Raddon, Warin Bodrigan.
- 30 at Lond. John de Raddon, Walter Woodſtead.
- 33 at West. Geffry de . . . Warin de Bodrigan.
- 34 at West. John de Raddon, Walter de Wodeford.
- 35 at Carlisle, Simon de Solers, John de Stonford.

EDWARD II.

- 1 P. at Northton. Rob. de la Berne, Brounig Auſtin.
- 6 at West. John de Raddon, Warin de Bodrigan.
- 7 at West. Walter King, Warin Bodrigan.
- 8 at West. Warin Bodrigan, Walter King.
- 15 at York, Ric. le Fitz, Warin Bodrigan.
- 19 at West. John Bottiler, Walter Gray.

EDWARD III.

- 1 P. at York, Simon de Solers, John Bottiler.
- 2 at Northton. Walter King, Simon de Solers.

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- 4 P. at Winchester, John Kingston, Will. Tonceyns.
- 6 at West. Tho. Swift, Will. Ekeworthy.
- 6 at York, Tho. Martin, Tho. Choldwill.
- 6 at West. Tho. Martin, Tho. Choldwill.
- 8 at West. Will. Forester, Edw. Lange.
- 9 at West. John Peate, John Tregold.
- 10 Council at Nott. Will. Eckworthy, Ric. de Strete.
- 11 P. at West. John Fitz Robert, Ric. Strete.
- 11 Council at West. John Pit, Ric. Bolfe.
- 12 P. at York, Rob. Engleburn, Peter Chapleyne.
- 12 at York, Ric. Strete, John King.
- 14 at West. Ric. Silverlock, John le Wey.
- 14 at West. Simon Solers, John le Wey.
- 15 at West. John Kingdon, Ric. Veiser.
- 21 at West. John Kingdon, Ric. Picard.
- 22 at West. John Kingdon, Ric. Strete.
- 24 at West. John Kingdon, Ric. Wafere.
- 29 at West. Simon Solers, John Kingdon.
- 31 at West. Walter Langford, John Comb.
- 32 at West. Walter Langford, John Comb.
- 34 at West. Simon Solers, Ric. Veyser.
- 34 at West. Simon Solers, Ric. Veyser.
- 36 at West. Roger John Dyere, John Hill.
- 37 at West. John Hull, John Martyn.
- 38 at West. John Hull, John Martyn.
- 42 at West. John Hull, John Martyn.
- 43 at West. Simon Solers, Ric. Dovewray.
- 45 Council at Winchester, John Combe.
- 46 P. at West. John Hull, John Martyn.
- 47 at West. John Martyn, Rob. Hull.
- 50 at West. Rob. Hull, John Sherecote.

RICHARD II.

- 1 P. at West. John Coppleston, Rob. Hill.
- 2 at West. Ric. Legurg, Peter Haddle.
- 3 at West. Rob. Hull, John Martyn.
- 6 at West. Adam Bere, Tho. Notcomb.
- 7 at New Sarum, Elias Bere, John Polayne.
- 8 at West. John Cross, John Brackley.
- 9 at West. John Gold, Ric. Gold.
- 10 at West. John Gold, Ric. Gold.
- 11 at West. Elias Bore, John Boys.
- 12 at Cambridge, Peter Hadlee, John Brendon.

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- 13 *P. at West.* John Selman, John Lane.
 15 *at West.* John Joycock, John Selman.
 18 *at West.* John Joycock, Tho. Norreys.
 20 *at West.* Tho. Norreys, Will. Selman.

HENRY IV.

- 8 *P. at Gloucester,* Will. Isabell, Ric. Harston.
 12 *at West.* John Jeybin, John Selman.

HENRY V.

- 1 *P. at West.* Tho. Barry, Roger Wyke.
 2 *at West.* John Selman, John Serle.
 7 *at Glouc.* John Prons, John Selman.
 8 *at West.* John Selman, Will. Selman.
 9 *at West.* John Selman, Will. Selman.

HENRY VI.

- 1 *P. at West.* John Silverlock, Peter Tires.
 2 *at West.* John Jalkyn, John Silverlock.
 3 *at West.* Will. Selman, John Selman.
 4 *at Leic.* Peter Rous, John Silverlock.
 6 *at West.* John Selman, Tho. Douresh.
 8 *at West.* John Fortescue, Will. Selman.
 9 *at West.* John Selman, John Serlaw.
 11 *at West.* John Selman, John Serlaw.
 13 *at West.* John Selman, John Serle.
 15 *at Camb.* John Serle, Ric. Strode.
 20 *at West.* John Serle, John Wyse.
 25 *at West.* Ric. Strode, Phil. Sturte.
 27 *at West.* Ric. Fortescu, John Serle.
 28 *at West.* Rob. Hilling, Rob. Clay.
 29 *at West.* Rob. Hilling, Rob. Clay.
 31 *at Reading,* John Downing, John Cornish.
 33 *at West.* Ric. Hals, Tho. Gale.

EDWARD IV.

- 7 *P. at West.* Will. Allington, Will. Fitz Williams.
 12 *at West.* Will. Say, John Twissho.
 17 *at West.* Rob. Hillerysdon, John Legh.

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EDWARD VI.

- 1 P. at West.
6 at West.

MARY.

- 1 P. at West. John Forster, Reginald Mohun,
1 at Oxf. John Sperke, John Marten.

PHILIP & MARY.

- 1 & 2 P. at West. Ric. Calmady, Will. Strowbrigg.
2 & 3 at West. Will. Courtenay, Kt. Arthur Champer-
non, Kt.
4 & 5 at West. Tho. Southcote, Christopher Perne.

ELIZABETH.

- 1 P. at West.
5 at West. Nic. Ogle, Gent. Tho. Peirce, Gent.
13 at West. Robert Guynes, Esq; Roger Hill, Gent.
14 at West. Peter Osborne, Will. Strode, jun. Gents.
27 at West. John Hele, Esq; Hannibal Vivian, Esq;
28 at West. Ric. Moor, Esq; Jasper Cholmley, Esq;
31 at West. Ric. Grafton, Esq; Edwin Sands, Esq;
35 at West. Ric. Southcote, Gent. Edwin Sands, Esq;
39 at West. Geo. Southcote, Esq; Edw. Hancock, Esq;
43 at West. Will. Strode, Kt. John Heale, Gent.

JAMES I.

- 1 P. at West. Will. Strode, Kt. Hen. Beaumont, Kt.
12 at West.
18 at West. Will. Strode, Kt. Warwick Hele, Kt.
21 at West. Francis Drake, Bart. John Garebb, Esq;

CHARLES I.

- 1 P. at West. Warwick Hele, Kt. Will. Strode, Esq;
1 at West. Tho. Hele, Esq; Will. Strode, Esq;
3 at West. Tho. Hele, Bart. James Bagg, Kt.

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- 15 *P* at West. Richard Strode, Kt. Nic. Slayning, Kt.
Recorder, Tho. Hele, Bart.
16 at West. Hugh Potter, Esq; Ric. Strode, Kt.
Christopher Martin, Gent.

CHARLES II.† *In his*

- Place, Nic. 12 *P.* at West. Will. Strode, Esq; Christopher Martyn.
Slanning, 13 at West. Will. Strode, Kt. † Tho. Hele, Esq;
Kt. of the 31 at West. Geo. Treby, Esq; Ric. Hillersden, Esq;
Bath. 31 at West. Geo. Treby, Esq; John Pollexfen, Esq;
32 at Oxford, George Treby, Kt. John Pollexfen,
Merchant.

JAMES II.

- 1 *P.* at West. Ric. Strode, Esq; Christopher Wrenn, Kt.

WILLIAM & MARY.‖ *In his*

- Place, made 1 *P.* at West. John Treby, Esq; John Pollexfen, Esq;
Chief Ju- 2 at West. John Pollexfen, Esq; ‖ Geo. Trebey, Kt.
stice of the
Common
Pleas, Tho.
Trevor, Kt.

WILLIAM III.

- 7 *P.* at West. Tho. Trevor, Kt. Courtenay Croker, Esq;
10 at West. Courtney Croker, Esq; Martin Rider, Esq;
12 at West. Courtney Croker, Esq; Martin Rider, Esq;
13 at West. Courtney Croker, Esq; Ric. Hele, Esq;

ANNE.* *In his*

- Place, un-
duly elected
Ric. Hele, Esq; 1 *P.* at West. Ric. Edgecombe, * Tho. Jervoise, Esq;
4 at West. John Cope, Kt. Ric. Edgecombe, Esq;
7 at West. Ric. Edgecombe, Esq; Geo. Treby, Esq;
9 at West. Ric. Edgecombe, Esq; Geo. Treby, Esq;
12 at West. Ric. Edgecombe, Esq; Geo. Treby, Esq;

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AS held, before the Conquest, as *Risdon* tells us, *Vol. 2. p. 69*, by *Drogo a Saxon*. In the *Norman Survey*, 'tis describ'd under the Title of *Terra Comitis Moritonensis*, as then belonging to *Robert* half Brother to *Will. I*, whom he made Earl of *Brady of Cornwall*, and gave great Possessions to in *Boroughs*, these Parts; from him, no doubt, it descend-^{p. 42.} ed to his Son *William*, and was, on his Rebellion against King *Henry I*, in all Likelyhood, bestow'd by that Prince on *Richard de Redvers* (created by him Earl of *Devon*) Lord of the Honour of *Okehampton*, of which Barony this Town of *Honyton* was a Member, and was probably created a Borough by *Isabella* Daughter of *Baldwin de Redvers*, Sister to *Baldwin* last Earl of *Devon* of that Name, who gave great Privileges, as *Leland* says, to *Plympton*; which *Isabella*, Wife to *William de Fortibus* Earl of *Albemarle*, was, by Virtue of being possess'd of the Earldom of *Devon*, in her own Right, Lady of this Town, and claim'd,

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Dorfs.

claim'd, Anno 10 Edw. I, to have Return of Writs, Placita Namii vetiti, a Gallows, A size of Bread and Beer, a Pillory, Ducking Stool, and free Warren, being Privileges the Jury presented her, challenging in the Borough of Honyton, and certify'd to the King's Justices, that she was seiz'd of that Borough, presented by them to be worth 20 l. per Annum. From this Family of the Redvers having already shewn, that the Title and Lands of the Earl of Devon came to the Courtenays, I need not enlarge my Account of it any farther, than to add, that this said Manor being bestow'd by Hugh Courtenay Earl of Devon, who dy'd 51 Edw. III, on his fifth Son, Philip Courtenay of Powderham Castle near Exeter has, together with the Advowson of the Church, (a considerable Living) continu'd in his Posterity ever since, and is now Part of the Possessions of Sir William Courtenay of Powderham Castle, Bart. who is the present Lord of this Manor and Borough, which, as observ'd in Cockermouth, p. 212, having made only two Returns, viz. 28 Edw. I, and 4 Edw. II, was, Anno 16 Cha. I, restor'd to the Privileges of sending Members to Parliament, which it now enjoys; and the Right of electing them is in the Inhabitants at large, or Burgageholders, who, in a late Poll, were upwards of two hundred. The Returning Officer is the Portreve, nominated at the Lord's Court, and annually chosen and sworn before his Steward, this Place being no Corporation.

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This Town is a large Thorough-Fair Place, and consists principally of a long Street, lying from East to West, indifferently well built. Here is a pretty good Market, and a great Fair *July* the 20th, on *St. Margaret's Day*, to which Saint the Chapel in this Borough, now made Use of as a School-House, is dedicated; 'twas heretofore a Chantry-Chapel, and endow'd with 5 l. 7s, 8d. as I find by the Survey of Chantries, *Ex Rot. Cantar. in Cur. Augment.* Co. Devon. Anno 37 Hen. VIII, at which Time Roger Slade was Incumbent, or Stipendary Priest, of the Chapel (probably the same as above-mention'd) within the Town of Honyton, where were reckon'd 700 house-ling People; or Communicants. This Chapel consists of a Body and Chancel, between which stands the Steeple, being a broad Tower, having an ordinary Spire upon it shingled or slated; 'tis kept but in poor Repair, and rarely, if at all, officiated in, which I admire at, seeing it lies so commodious for the Use of the Inhabitants, the Parish-Church being at a Distance, and standing half a Mile above the Town, on the Top of a tiresome Hill to ascend: The Way to it is up a straggling Street, branching from the middle Part of the Town; 'tis no very large Building, tho' it has a good Tower at the West End, and is well adorn'd within by the Gentry living in the Parish, who are numerous, and have contributed towards setting up an Organ. Several of the Parishioners repairing to Church in Coaches, and others on Horse-back,

back, here are Stables built for their Con-
venience adjoining to the Cemetery.

*In Curia
Prerogativ.*

This Church, as I have seen in old Wills, is dedicated to St. Michael the Archangel; these Wills, besides the Chapel of St. Margaret in the Town, mention another of St. Thomas of Becket, which I presume has been long since demolish'd.

*Camden's
Brit. p. 40.*

That this was a Market-Town before the Time of King John, the last Editors of Camden inform us, who report, that its Market, which was in his Reign kept on Sunday, was alter'd to another Day. In *A-Wood's Athen.*

*A-Wood's
Athen. Vol.
1. p. 645.*

Oxon. we are told of an Hospital of St. Margaret built in this Town, and endow'd by Thomas Chard Abbat of Ford in this County, a little before the Reformation.

EDWARD I.

28 P. at Linc. John de Swingithiell, Geffry Tolomer.

EDWARD II.

4 P. at West. John Swengithiell, Hen. Molend.

CHARLES I.

16 P. at West. Will. Poole, Esq; Walter Young, Esq;
Cha. Vaughan, Esq;

CHARLES II.

12 P. at West. John Young, Kt. Sam. Serle, Esq;
15 at West. Courtney Poole, Bart. Peter Prideaux, Esq;
31 at West. Walter Young, Bart. Tho. Putt, Bart.
31 at West. Walter Young, Bart. Tho. Putt, Bart.
32 at Oxf. Walter Young, Bart. Tho. Putt, Bart.

JAMES

JAMES II.

1 P. at West. Tho. Putt, Bart. Edm. Walrond, Esq;

WILLIAM & MARY.

1 P. at West. Ric. Courtenay of Collyton, Esq; Edmund Walrond of Bovey, Esq;

2 at West. Will. Drake, Kt. & Bart. Walter Young, Bart.

WILLIAM III.

7 P. at West. Will. Drake, Kt. & Bart. Walter Young, Bart.

10 at West. Will. Drake, Kt. & Bart. Walter Young, Bart.

12 at West. Will. Drake, Kt. & Bart. Walter Young, Bart.

13 at West. Will. Drake, Kt. & Bart. Walter Young, Bart.

ANNE.

1 P. at West. Will. Drake, Kt. & Bart. Walter Young, Bart.

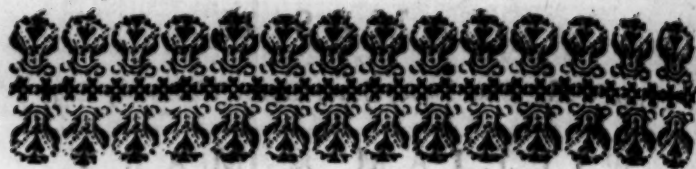
4 at West. Will. Drake, Kt. & Bart. Walter Young, Bart.

7 at West. Will. Drake, Kt. & Bart. Walter Young, Bart.

9 at West. Will. Drake, Kt. & Bart. Walter Young, Bart. Will. Drake, Kt. & Bart. James Sheppard, Esq;

} Double Return, the first took off.

12 at West. Will. Drake, Kt. & Bart. James Sheppard, Esq;



BOROUGH

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TAVESTOCK



AS, before the Foundation of the Abby here, as *Risdon* informs us, the Seat of *Orgar* Duke, or rather Earl, of *Devon*, whose Son, *Ordulf*, built a famous Abby here, *Anno* 961, to the Honour of *St. Mary* and *St. Rumon*, the Revenues of which were valu'd, 26 *Hen. VIII*, at 902 l. 5 s. 7 d. per *Annum*, tho' some Authors mention the Father as Founder, and some the Son, in the Account of which the *Monasticon* differs, it telling us, *Vol. 1 p. 217*, 'twas the Father's Foundation; and *p. 995*, that 'twas the Son's. That the *Manor* and *Borough* of *Tavestock* belong'd to the Abby soon after the *Conquest*, may be seen in the *Monasticon*, in the aforefaid Places, wherein is a Charter of *Henry I*, recited by *Inspeximus* in a Charter of Confirmation, made about the Year 1346, 21 *Edw. III*, which makes Mention of the said King *Henry* the 1st's granting to the Abby of *Tavistock* the

Jurif.

Tanner's
Notit. Mo-
nast. p. 42.

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Jurisdiction and the whole Hundred of Tavestock, and a Friday's Market, besides a Fair for three Days in the Ville of Tavistock on the Day, Eve, and Morrow of St. Rumon; both which are still observ'd, tho' the Fair is now kept, as Risdon says, on the Epiphany, January 6; all which Privileges, with View of Frank-pledge, Gallows, Pillory, Assize of Bread and Beer, &c. were challeng'd by the Abbat, temp. Edw. I, and enjoy'd by his Successors, with other great Liberties, till the Time of the Dissolution, Anno 1539, 31 Hen. VIII, in which Year that Prince, by Letters Patent dated July 4, gave Jobu Lord Russel (afterwards created Earl of Bedford) the Site of this Monastery, with the Borough and Town of Tavistock, and Burgage thereof, with the Rectory and Advowson of the Vicaridge; in which Family it hath ever since continu'd, and is at present vested in the Right Honourable Wriothesly Duke of Bedford, a Minor, great Grandson to William late Earl, rais'd to the Degree of Duke of Bedford and Marquis of Tavestock, by Letters Patent dated May 11, 1694; the last of which Titles is the Style of the eldest Son of the Dukes of Bedford.

That this Place has sent Members to Parliament from 4 Edw. III constantly to this Time, and made three Returns before, the following List shews. Tho' I don't find it is or has been ever incorporated, however here is a Portreve yearly chosen by twenty four Freeholders, at the Lord's Court, who is the Returning Officer; and the Right of Election is vested in the Freeholders of the

Borough, who, at a Poll lately taken, were about an hundred and ten.

The Town of *Tavestock* is situate in a Bottom, among several Springs, on a rocky Ground, and water'd with the River *Tape*, which denominates it. It is a large Town, and has several Streets indifferently well built; and is adorn'd with a good Parish Church, an handsome Building, cover'd with Slatt, with a high Tower at the West End; 'tis dedicated to St. *Eustachius*, whose Festival is celebrated September 20: This Saint was before his Baptism, as *Nicephorus* tells us, call'd *Placidus*; he is said to have been a great Warriour, and a Captain under *Titus* and *Vespasian*, and present at the Destruction of *Jerusalem*; but being afterwards converted to Christianity, was, for professing it, by the Emperor *Adrian*, with his Wife and two Children, cast to Lions, who not touching them, they were put into a brazen Bull, with Fire under it, and so destroy'd: His Martyrdom is reckon'd under the Year 120. As to St. *Rumon*, he was a Saxon Saint, and was bury'd here in this Abby: His Festival is on the 4th of *January*.

That the Glory of this Town heretofore stood by the Abby we may easily conclude, if we take a View of it, which I crave Leave to exhibit from a small Treatise I have publish'd of the Miter'd Parliamentary Abbies, in Number twenty nine, printed in the *Oxford Antiquary's Edition of Leland's Collectanea, Vol. 6*, wherein the Reader is inform'd, That this Abby Church, when standing, was, be-

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sides the Lady's Chapel at the East End of it, 126 *Gressus*, Paces, or Yards in Length; that the Cloysters were large, and the Chapter House a most magnificent Building, having thirty six neat Stalls fairly arch'd over; but these have been long since entirely ruin'd, especially the Church and Cloysters, and all that remains are the Walls of the Chapter-House, and some of the outward Buildings, or Offices belonging to the Convent, which, being strong, are frequently made Use of for a Prison for captive Seamen, it lying near *Plymouth*. The Refectory, &c. are sometimes apply'd to Husbandry Uses, viz. to hold Hay, Corn, &c. and being kept in little or no Repair, may soon follow the rest. Over the Convent, as I have given the Names, presided thirty six Abbats, of which *Livingus* and *Aldred*, the second and third Abbats, were made Bishops; and the 23d, *John Courtenay*, was Heir to the Earldom of *Devon*. That good Literature flourish'd at this Abby, appears from the laudable Institution of the *Saxon School*: And the establishing of *Printing* here by the Abbats, soon after that noble Science was invented, is evident from several Books printed in this Abby; in the Church whereof was bury'd, besides the aforesaid *St. Rumon*, Bishop *Livingus* (and, as *William of Malmesbury* says, Prince *Edward*, Brother of King *Edmund Ironside*) the Founder, Earl *Orgar*, and his Son *Ordulf*, whose broken Effigies they still pretend to shew, under an Arch in the Cloysters; which being opposite to the Parish Church,

Godwin de Presul. p. 505 & 455, Ibid. Pt. 2. p. 20. Dugd. Bar. Vol. 1. p. 639.

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Church, and joining to the Cemetary, seems to demonstrate that it belong'd to the Abbey, as well as the said Parish-Church, which I take to be of no long standing before the Reformation; and that the Parishioners had a Place anciently in the Body of the Abbey-Church, before the erecting it. In old Wills, *temp. Hen. VIII*, I find Mention of a Chapel of *St. Margaret* in the Borough of *Tavestock*, besides this Church of *St. Eustache* afore spoken of.

EDWARD I.

23 P. at West. Ralph de Setchevill, Walter le Wyse,
34 at West. John le Charter, John Styman.

EDWARD II.

19 P. at West. John Hay, Roger Stacy.

EDWARD III.

4 P. at Winch. John Mang, John Prynz.
4 at West. Will. Cokeworthy, Maurice Gages,
6 at West. Roger Byle, John Setholme.
6 at West. John Bollimers, Adam Boughton,
6 at York, John de Sechevill, Roger Byle.
8 at West. Maurice Gages, John Sechevill.
9 at West. Maurice Gage, John Sechevill,
10 at West. Maurice Gages, John Sechevill.
11 at West. Maurice Gages, John Kileworth,
11 at West. Will. Stacy, John Oarby.
12 at West. John de Sechevill, Will. Sekeworthy,
14 at West. David Remely, John Bon.
14 at West. Will. Sekeworthy, John de Secheville,
15 at West. Rob. Tankard, John Pepilston.
17 at West. Will. de Ekworthy, Will. Pye.
21 at West. Ralph Attewille, Will. Ekworthy,
22 at West. Ralph Attewille, Rob. Davy.
24 at West. Ralph Attewille, Tho. Portun,
24 at West. Ralph Attewille, Tho. Partjoye.

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- 16 at West. John Mylle, Nich. Wytyng.
- 18 at West. Nich. Wytyng, Elias Wilde.
- 21 P. at West. Walter Langford, Will. Panyter.
- 22 at West. Will. Cary, Walter Langford.
- 34 at West. Will. Birtlescombe, John Hickwood.
- 34 at West. John Wouard, Ric. Lamborne.
- 36 at West. John Hill, John Wouard.
- 37 at West. Walter Langford, John Hull.
- 38 at West. Walter Langford, John Bohun.
- 42 at West. John Wilby, John Hull.
- 43 at West. John Wilby, John Wouard.
- 45 Council at Winchester, Ric. Cokelescombe.
- 46 P. at West. John Hull, Rob. Hull.
- 47 at West. Walter Langford, John Wouard.
- 50 at West. Walter Langford, Will. Crokere.

RICHARD II.

- 1 P. at West. Walter Langford, Tho. Reymund.
- 2 at Glouc. Walter Langford, John Wyndout.
- 3 at West. John Shepwash, John Whirlegh.
- 6 at West. John Sandford, Ralph Hunt.
- 7 at New Sarum, John Sandford, John Woward.
- 8 at West. John Stamford, Tho. Reymund.
- 9 at West. Roger Page, Richard Page.
- 10 at West. John Trill, John Windent.
- 11 at West. Ralph Hunt, John Pole.
- 12 at Gamb. John Ford, Will. Walradenfe.
- 13 at West. Walter Milmere, John Birhywater.
- 15 at West. Ralph Hunt, John Whirtham.
- 18 at West. Walter Dimmock, Ralph Hunt.
- 20 at West. Will. Wicham, John Plence.

HENRY IV.

- 3 P. at West. Randal Hunt, John Kene.
- 8 at Glouc. John Godfrey, Will. Bert.
- 12 at West. John Loppingford, Richard Sechvile.

HENRY V.

- 1 P. at West. Will. May, John Jolkin.
- 2 at West. Will. May, John Erneyne.
- 3 at West. *Cedula amissa.*
- 7 at Glouc. John Plente, Roger Baker.

8 P. at West. Ric. Secheville, Will. Bentleggh.

9 at West. Nich. Fitz-herberd, John Fortescue.

HENRY VI.

1 P. at West. Ric. Secheville, Walter Tayle.

2 at West. Will. Tetteregg, John Fortescue.

3 at West. John Fortescue,

4 at Leic. Alfred Wanston, Ric. Grubb.

6 at West. Tho. Wild, John Fytz.

8 at West. Tho. Tremayne, John Inwin.

9 at West. John Dinowe, John Fytz.

11 at West. Hen. Denbold, Ric. Sacheville.

13 at West. Hen. Denbold, John Inwyn.

15 at Camb. John Wolston, John Sprye.

20 at West. Hen. Denbold, Ric. Dankres.

25 at Camb. Will. Gamen, Will. Kingston.

27 at West. Tho. Tremayne, Will. Crywys.

28 at West. Hen. Denbold, Will. Milford.

29 at West. Ric. Tankret, Will. Kingston.

31 at Reading, John Hony,

33 at West. Will. Feespond, Roger Langton.

EDWARD IV.

7 P. at West. Ric. Eggecumb, Will. Comb.

12 at West. John Say, Tho. Jenny.

17 at West. John Hemchurch, Nich. Whytyng.

EDWARD VI.

1 P. at West.

6 at West.

MARY.

1 P. at West. Ric. Wilbram, Tho. Smith.

1 at Oxford, Ric. Mayo, John Fitze, jun.

PHILIP & MARY.

1 & 2 P. at West. John Fitz, John Onebiche.

2 & 3 at West. Tho. Southcore, Esq; Ric. Mayo, Esq;

4 & 5 at West. Geo. Southcore, Tho. Browne.

ELIZA-

ELIZABETH.

- 1 P. at West. Ric. Cooke, Esq; Nich. Throckmorton, Esq;
 5 at West. Ric. Cooke, Esq; Nich. Throckmorton, Esq;
 13 at West. Nat. Bacon, Esq; Rob. Ferrers, Esq;
 14 at West. Nat. Bacon, Esq; † Rob. Ferrers, Esq; † In his
 27 at West. Valentine Knightley, Esq; Edw. Bacon, Esq; Place, de-
 28 at West. John Glanville, Valentine Knightley, Esq; ceas'd,
 31 at West. Michael Heneage, Esq; Anth. Ashley, Esq; Cha. Mor-
 35 at West. Ric. Coddington, Hugh Vaughan. rison, Esq;
 39 at West.
 43 at West. Hen. Grey, Esq; Walter Wentworth, Esq;

JAMES I.

- 1 P. at West. Geo. Fleetwood, Kt. Edw. Duncombe, Gent.
 12 at West.
 18 at West. Francis Glanvill, Esq; Baptist Hexte, Kt.
 21 at West. John Pym, Esq; Sampson Hele, Esq;

CHARLES I.

- 1 P. at West. John Pym, Esq; Francis Granvill, Kt.
 1 at West. John Pym, Esq; John Radcliff, Kt.
 3 at West. Francis Granvill, Kt. John Pym, Esq;
 15 at West. Will. Lord Russell, John Pym, Esq;
 16 at West. John Pym, Esq; John Russell, Esq;
 Edm. Fowell, Esq; Elizeus Crimes, Esq;

CHARLES II.

- 12 P. at West. Will. Russell, Esq; Geo. Howard, } Double
 Esq; Will. Russell, Esq; Eli- } Return.
 zeus Crimes, Esq;
 13 at West. † Geo. Howard, Esq; Will. Russell, Esq; † In his
 31 at West. Francis Drake, Bart. Edw. Russell, Esq; Place,
 31 at West. Francis Drake, Bart. Edw. Russell, Esq; Francis
 32 at Oxf. Edw. Russell, Esq; Francis Drake, Bart. Drake, Bt.

JAMES II.

- 1 P. at West. James Butler, Kt. John Bear, Esq;

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W I L.

WILLIAM & MARY.

1 P. at West. Hon. Rob. Russell, Esq; Francis Drake,
Bart.

2 at West. Hon. Rob. Russell, Esq; Francis Drake,
Bart.

WILLIAM III.

* In his
Place, un-
duly elect-
ed, Am-
brose Ma-
naton, Esq
in whose
Place, de-
ceas'd,
Francis
Drake, Bt.

7 P. at West. Right Hon. Rob. Russell, Esq; * Hon. James
Russell, Esq;

10 at West. Hon. Rob. Russell, Esq; Francis Drake,
Bart.

12 at West. Right Hon. Lord Rob. Russell, Right Hon.
Lord Russell.

13 at West. Right Hon. Lord Edw. Russell, Right Hon.
Rob. Lord Russell.

ANNE.

† In his
Place, de-
ceas'd,
James Bul-
teel, Esq;

1 P. at West. † Right Hon. Rob. Lord Russell, † Right
Hon. James Lord Russell.

4 at West. Hen. Manaton, Esq; James Bulteel, Esq;

7 at West. John Cope, jun. Kt. Henry Manaton, Esq;

9 at West. John Cope, jun. Kt. † Henry Manaton, Esq;

12 at West. John Cope, jun. Kt. James Bulteel, Esq;

† In his
Place, un-
duly elect-
ed, Hen.
Manaton,
Esq;

|| In his
Place, un-
duly elect-
ed, James
Bulteel,
Esq;



BOROUGH



BOROUGH OF ASHBURTON,



S before observ'd in *Plympton*,
 was, at the compiling of *Dooms-
 day-Book*, describ'd under the
 Name of *Terra Regis*; and that
 it continu'd ancient Demeasne
 appears from Dr. Brady, who
 exhibits a Charter of it in the *Appendix* of
 his *Treatise of Boroughs*, p. 25, and informs
 us it sent of old but twice Representatives to
 Parliament; tho' when made a Borough he
 does not say, but doubtless it was before
 26 *Edw. I.*, when it sent Burgesses by that
 Title, and again, *Anno 8 Hen. 4*; since
 which Time it never made any more Re-
 turns before 16 *Car. I.*, *Anno 1640*, when it
 was restor'd, with other Boroughs, as ob-
 serv'd, p. 212, in *Cokermouth*. The Choice
 of Members of Parliament is in the Inhabi-
 tants being House-keepers, who, at a Poll
 taken about six or seven Years ago, were an
 hundred ninety six. The Returning Officer
 is the *Portreve*, annually chosen at the Lord's
 Court, this Place being no Corporation. Who
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incip. 10
Edw. 1.
Rob. Cart.
Anno 3 E.
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have been antiently Lords of it I can't determine, except I should judge it to have belong'd to the See of *Exeter* from these Records: *Anno 10 Edw. 1.*, Peter Quivil Bishop of *Exeter*, claim'd View of Frank-pledge, and a Gallows, with Assize of Bread and Beer, in Ashperton. And in the next Reign, *Walter Stapledon*, Bishop of that See, by Charter dated December 12, 1273, 3 *Edw. II.*, obtain'd to himself and Successors, Bishops of *Exeter*, a Grant of a Saturday Market, and a Fair on the Eve, Day, and Morrow of *St. Laurence*, viz. Aug. the 9th, 10th, and 11th, at his Manor of *Ashperton*, which Fair and Market are yet in Being; tho' besides the Saturday's Market, here is another kept on Tuesdays, and a Fair November 11, on *St. Martin's Day*. To which ancient Fairs *Andrew Quick*, Esq; procur'd two more, and got a Patent for them about six Years ago: He also gave a Clock and Chimes for the Benefit of the Parish.

How this Manor was alienated, or when bestow'd on this Bishoprick I cannot learn; and there being no Tradition at this Place of its ever belonging to it, as the Inhabitants remember, makes me conclude that it was sever'd from it before the Reformation, and perhaps might be in the Crown it self, when the abovesaid Charter, mention'd by *Dr. Brady*, was granted, which I here give a literal Translation of.

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"The King to all and singular Sheriffs, Mayors, Bailiffs, Constables, and other his faithful Ministers, as well within the Liberties as without, to whom, &c. Greeting. Know yee, That whereas, according to the Custom of our Kingdom of England, hitherto obtain'd and approv'd, the Men of ancient Demeasne of our Crown of England are, and ought to be free from paying of Toll throughout our whole Kingdom of England. We command you, that the Men of the Manor of Ashburton, which is ancient Demeasne of our Crown of England, as by a certain Certificate by the Treasurer and Chamberlains of our Lord Richard the II^d, King of England, after the Conquest, and sent by Command of the late King into his Chancery, and remaining on the Chancery Files of the same late King, plainly appears, that you should permit them to be free from such Payment of Toll, payable to you according to the Custom aforesaid, &c. Witness the King at Westminster, 26 April.

That this Manor belong'd to the Crown temp. Jac. I, may be seen among the Grants of that King to his Son Prince Charles, who, when he created him Prince of Wales, gave him, *inter alia*, the Manor of Ashburton, which hath since belong'd, temp. Car. II, to Sir Robert Parkhurst and the Lord Sondes, Earl of Feversham, the former of which, about forty Years ago, convey'd his Right to Sir

Sir John Stawell of Parke in South Bovey, in which he was succeeded by his Son William Stawell, Esq; (who left a Charity of 10 l. per Annum to the Poor of this Parish for ever) whose Executors sold the same to the Trustees of Roger Tuckfeild, Esq; who now enjoy it. The other Moiety was, I presume, purchas'd of the Lord Sonds about the same Time by Richard Duke, of Otterton, Esq;

This Town consists of a good Street, of a considerable Length from East to West, indifferently well built. It has a Church dedicated to St. Andrew, and a Chapel of St. Laurence, heretofore a Chantry-Chapel, or Guild, and endow'd with Lands rated, 37 Henry VIII, at 6 l. 13 s. 4 d. for the Maintenance of a Priest, who was to pray for the Donors Souls, and keep a School in the Borough of Aysseburton.

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ment.

This Chapel is still in Being, and us'd as a School-House; and herein are several Town-Affairs adjusted, and the Poll for Parliament-Men frequently taken.

The Church is the chief Ornament of the Town, being a very handsome Structure, built Cathedral-wise, adorn'd with a Tower 91 Feet in Height, (on which is a small Spire of Lead.) It has a large Chancel, in which are several Stalls, as in Collegiate Churches. 'Twas (as some conjecture) formerly appropriate to Buckfast-Abbey, about three Miles distant, founded by Eibelwerd Pomerei, temp. Henry II, tho' tis now a Peculiar in the Donation of the Dean and Chapter

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er of Exeter. By Charter Anno 13 Edward
as Risdon tells us, this Place was privi-
leg'd with the weighing of Tin. 'Tis now
one of the four Stannary Towns of this
County, that sends Representatives to the
Stannary Convention at Crookerne-Taur in *Camden's*
Dartmore, the others being Plympton, Tave- *Brit. v. 37.*
stock, and Chagford.

EDWARD I.

12 P. at York, Will. Titela, John Pope.

HENRY IV.

8 P. at Glouc. Walter Dennys, Ric. Horston.

CHARLES I.

16 P. at West. Edmund Fowell, Kt. John Northcott, Kt.
& Bart.

† In his
Place, Earl
of Fever-
sham, Wil-
liam Sta-
well, Esq;

CHARLES II.

12 P. at West. Will. Courtney, Kt. John Fowell, Esq;
13 at West. † Geo. Sonds of Kent, *Knights of the Bath*,
John Fowell, Esq;
31 at West. Tho. Reynell, Esq; Will. Stawell, Esq;
31 at West. Tho. Reynell, Esq; Ric. Duke, Esq;
31 at Oxf. Tho. Reynell, Esq; Ric. Duke, Esq;

JAMES II.

12 P. at West. Will. Stawell, Esq; Edw. Yard, Esq;

WILLIAM & MARY.

1 P. at West. Walter Young, Bart. Tho. Reynell, Esq;
2 at West. Ric. Reynell, Kt. & Bart. Will. Stawell,
Esq;

WILLIAM

WILLIAM III.

- 7 P. at West. Will. Stawell, Esq; Ric. Duke, Esq;
 10 at West. Will. Stawell, Esq; Ric. Duke, Esq;
 12 at West. Will. Stawell, Esq; Ric. Duke, Esq;
 13 at West. Tho. Leare, Bart. Will. Stawell, Esq;

ANNE.

- 1 P. at West. Tho. Leare, Bart. Ric. Reynell, Esq;
 † In his 4 at West. Ric. Reynell, Esq; † Gilbert Yard, Esq;
 Place, de- 7 at West. Roger Tuckfeild, Esq; Rob. Balle, Esq;
 seas'd, 9 at West. * Roger Tuckfeild, Esq; * Ric. Lloyd, Esq;
 Roger 12 at West. Roger Tuckfeild, Esq; Ric. Reynell, Esq;
 Tuckfeild Esq; * * In their Places, not duly elected, Richard Reynell, Esq; George Courtenay, Esq; In George Courtenay's Place chose for Newport in the County of Cornwall, Andrew Quick, Esq;

CHARLES I.

CHARLES II.



JAMES II.

WILLIAM & MARY.

BOROUGH



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CLIFTON-DARTMOUTH-HARDNESS



Consists of three Towns, or rather, as 'tis now, of three Divisions of one Town, which are without Distinction term'd *Dartmouth*, from the River *Dart*. These three Divisions, distinguish'd by the Name of *Clifton-Dartmouth-Hardness*, were doubtless in Times past so many separate Towns, or Villages, before they became united into one. The most ancient Division lies next the Sea, and is call'd *Clifton*, from the Cliffs or Rocks of the Harbour, upon which 'tis mostly founded, and out of which many of the Houses are dug. 'Tis likewise term'd the South Town, from its Southerly Situation; and otherwise call'd *St. Petrock*, or *Patrick*, from a Chapel of Ease of that Name annex'd to the Church of *Stoke-Flemming*, about two Miles off, which Chapel being contiguous to the Castle, was undoubtedly the Cell of *St. Patrick*, in the Castle, mention'd by Dr. *Tanner* in his *Notitia Monastica*. It seems to have been founded

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*Tanner's
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18 E. 3.

temp. Edw. III; for I find a Licence granted to erect a Chantry to the Honour of St. Petrock in the Chapel of the Blessed Virgin Mary in Clifton, by which it appears as if the Name of the Chantry had thrust out that of the Chapel. This Building was heretofore very small, having only one Roof, but in the Memory of Man it has been enlarg'd by an Addition of two other Roofs, and a Stone Tower of sixty Feet in Heighth, and a wooden Spire of twenty upon it, built by the Inhabitants.

The second Division, nam'd *Dartmouth*, is also call'd the North Town, from its Northern Situation in Respect of *Clifton*; (from thence it seems probable, that these two foremention'd Divisions were in Being before *Hardnefs*, which is the most Northern of all) 'tis likewise, from its Chapel, call'd *St. Saviour's*, which Chapel, tho' but a Member to the Mother-Church of *Tounstall*, is a curious stately Building, being adorn'd with a Stone-Tower eighty three Feet high, and grac'd with two Cross-Isles, and a North and South Isle, adjoining to a spacious Chancel built by Captain *John Hawley*, a Native of this Place, who dy'd *Anno 1408*, as his Epitaph speaks, which, with some Account of this great Man, being given us by *Prince*, in his *Worthies of Devon*, I shall add nothing farther here, but that this Church or Chapel is beautify'd in the Inside with a handsome Screen between the Church and Chancel, and a neat Stone Pulpit, and being the chief Church has Seats for the Corporation. But

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*Prince's
Worthies of
Devon. in
Vit. Hawley
p. 361.*

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I proceed to the third Division, *viz. Hardness*: Here was not long since a Chapel dedicated to *St. Clare*, which, being ruinous, *Le'and's Itin. Vol. 3. p. 31.* was demolish'd about thirty Years ago, the Vicinity of the Mother-Church, *viz. Town-hall*, (*alias St. Clement's*, as 'tis distinguish'd in Maps) rendering it, as the Inhabitants judg'd (by Reason of the Repairs) needless. This Parish-Church lies on the Top of the Hill, about a quarter of a Mile from the Town; and its Tower, being sixty nine Feet high, serves as a Sea-Mark.

Having thus hinted of the Town in particular, I come now to speak of it in general, of which I shall only observe, that 'tis situate on the Side of a craggy Hill, and extends in Length from North to South a Mile, and that the Streets are very irregular, but the Houses high, they being generally of four or five Stories. It principally consists of two, and in several Parts of three Streets, one above another, from which you must ascend or descend by many Steps. The Harbour is safe and capacious, and lies very commodious for the Use of Merchants, the River running along the Side of the Town. It was guarded with three Castles, one of which stands in *Clifton*, on the East Side, and has five Guns, but this is now in Decay. On the Southern Part is another Castle, now the main Defence of the Town, it has eleven Guns mounted; and towards the Sea is a small Fort, built *Anno 1690*, when the *French Fleet* lay before these Coasts, it has eleven dismounted Guns. Opposite to it is

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 the third Castle, call'd *Kingswere*, where are
 several Block-Houses; and not many Years
 since was a Chain reaching cross the Haven.
 Concerning the Original of this Town we
 are told by *Risdon*, that it was antiently
 call'd *Ludbill*, before it was denominat'd
Dartmouth, from the River, and that it be-
 gan to flourish upon the Decay of *Totness* Ha-
 ven, to whose antient Lords it belong'd at the
 Time of the Conquest, and so pass'd, in like
 Manner, as *Totness* to the *Cantelupes*, &c. temp.
Hen. III. *Will. de Cantelupe*, and *Eve* his Wife,
 agreed, that a Market should be here held Weekly
 on Wednesday, and on other Days; for which
 a Fine was levy'd. From their Descendants,
 as my Author speaks, it came to the *Zouches*,
 and so by Purchase probably to the *Dawneys*,
 who convey'd it to the *Tewsburys*, Merchants,
 who, Anno 15 *Edw. III.* releas'd it to the
 Use of the Town; which King, by Charter
 dated April 14, that same Year, in Consi-
 deration of the good Actions of the Burgesses
 of *Dartmouth*, granted, that they and their
 Goods should be Toll-free through all England;
 and that they should have Power to choose a Mayor
 every Year, and hold Pleas within their Borough;
 and that they should not be impleaded out of it, or
 be impanell'd on Juries, but have *Insangthes* and
Outsangthes within themselves, &c. But before
 this Grant, according to *Leland*, this Town
 was govern'd by a Mayor, by the Gift of
 King *John*; and if we may make a Conje-
 cture from the Arms belonging to it, they
 seem to allude to that King's Grant, in
 whose Reign I presume it was made a Bo-
 rough;

Risdon's
Survey of
Devon. Vol.
2. p. 216,
217.

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in Co. Dev.
A. 28. H. 3.

Risdon's
Survey of
Devon.
Vol. 2. p.
217.

R. Cart.
A. 15 E. 3.
m. 9. n. 18.

Leland's
Itin. Vol.
3. p. 32.

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rough; it returning Members of Parliament as such *Anno 26 Edw. I.*, tho', on Account of its Poverty, or some other Reason, it intermitted sending Burgeses 'till after this new Charter, *15 Edw. III.* aforementioned, and made no other Election 'till *24 Edw. III.* (except once to a Council about maritime Affairs) However, it has constantly sent ever since, and began greatly to flourish in this and the succeeding Reign, viz. *Richard the II's*; which Prince made an Act, *Anno Regni 14*, that *Tin should not be exported at any other Port*. And so well did *Edward IV* reward the Courage of the Inhabitants experienc'd against the *French*, that he translated hither the Port from *Fowey*, (as spoken of in that Borough) and gave them *20 l. in Fee-Farm*; to which *Richard III* added *10 l. more*, and *Henry VII* augmented it *10 l. more*, and covenanted for himself and Heirs to pay to the Corporation *40 l. per Annum* for their building and maintaining a strong and mighty Tower and Bulwark with Lime and Stone, for furnishing the same with Guns, Artillery, and other Ordonance, and for finding a Chain in Length and Strength sufficient. To say nothing of this latter *40 l.* the former Sums, granted by the fore-mention'd Kings, were, I suppose, made payable out of the Rents of the Town, or Customs which belong'd to the Crown; and were, as appears by divers Patents of several of our Kings, granted to some of the Royal Family and Nobility, as *John Earl of Cornwall*, King *Edw. III's* Brother; after whose Decease, the said King bestow'd

Keeble's Statutes, p. 179.

Leland's Itin. Vol. 3. p. 32.

Rot. Pat. An. 15 & 16 E. 3. m. 3. Teste 9 Feb.

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Leland's Itin. Vol. 3. p. 32. stow'd the same on *Hugh Brian* Lord of *Torrington*. *Brian*, a great Patron to the Abby of that Name, who was, as I guess, the Person that impropriated *Townshall* thereto. Howbeit, it continu'd not long in that Family, for temp. *Hen. IV* the male Line became extinct; and tho' it is said to have been the Property of *Elizabeth*, Grandaughter of the said *Hugh*, Wife to *Robert Lovell*, yet I find it soon after belong'd to the *Courtenays* Earls of *Devon*. And in the Reign of King *Henry VI*, *John Botreaux* having marry'd the Countess of *Devon*, held this Manor in her Right. In the 2d Year of King *Edw. IV*, the Manors of *Clifton-Dartmouth-Hardness*, were bestow'd on *Will. Nevill* Lord *Falconbridge*, (whom he created Earl of *Kent*) and the Heirs of his Body; and upon his Decease they were given to his Brother the Duke of *Clarence*; after whose Death, I presume, *Dartmouth* continu'd in the Crown 'till *Hen. the VIIIth's* Time, in whose Reign I find the *Carews* possess'd of *Dartmouth Manor and Borough*; which was confirm'd to Sir *Peter Carew*, Kt. Anno 1557, by Queen *Mary*. But not long after it seems again to have reverted to the Crown; for Anno 23 *Eliz.* that Queen granted this Manor of *Dartmouth*, with the Rectory and Advowson (as I take of *Townshall*) to one *Downing*, and *Ashton*, and *Robert Peter*, from the two last of which Persons it came to the Corporation, which are the present Proprietors thereof in their own Right, as they were probably before by Lease, under a certain Quit-Rent, and held it

Risdon's Survey of Devon, Vol. 2. p. 217. R. Pat. A. 2 E. 4.

Ibid. Anno 3 E. 4.

Inquis. post Mort. in Cur. Ward. Ro. Pat. Anno 3 & 4 Phil. & Mar.

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it for some Ages before, as I guess, of the Crown, or the Persons claiming under it.

The Corporation consists of a *Mayor, Recorder, and twelve Masters, or Magistrates;* which *Mayor, with the Majority of Masters, or Magistrates, has Power to make Freemen and elect Officers, viz. two Bailiffs, a Town-Clerk, and High Steward.* They keep a Court of Sessions and a *Water-Bailiffwick-Court, by Virtue of a Lease of three Lives, from the Dutchy of Cornwall, for which they pay an Head, or chief Rent of about 14 l. per Annum.* The high Rents of this Town belonging to the Corporation, amount to 68 l. 19 s. per Annum. The Sheef and Royalty of *Tounstall* is also vested in them. It formerly belong'd to *Torr Abby*, and was, after the *Dissolution*, granted 23 *Eliz.* to the aforesaid *Downing, Albeton, and Peters*, who sold it to the *Feoffees* of the Corporation.

The Choice of Members of Parliament is in the Freemen, so created by the Mayor and Magistrates, who are at present seventy eight in Number.

This Place gave Title of *Baron, Anno 1675,* *Dugd. Bar. Vol. 2 p. 487.* July 29, 27 *Car. II.* to *Charles Fitz Charles*, natural Son to that King, created by him Earl of *Plymouth*, Viscount *Totness*, and Baron of *Dartmouth*, who dying, *Anno 1680*, without Issue, that Prince, by Letters Patent dated *December 2, 1682*, bestow'd the same on *George Legge, Esq;* whose Son *William* was advanc'd by *Queen Anne* to the farther Dignity of Earl of *Dartmouth*, by Letters

ters Patent dated the 5th Day of September,
in the 10th Year of her Reign.

EDWARD I.

26 P. at York, John le Bakere, Will. atte Vosse.

EDWARD III.

- 14 Council at West, Will. Baconn.
- 24 P. at West, Will. Smale, Nic. Whiting.
- 25 at West, Will. Smale, Nic. Whiting.
- 26 at West, Nic. Whiting, Will. Smale.
- 31 at West, John Wyncaulton, John Henry.
- 34 at West, John Wyncaulton, Will. Henry.
- 34 at West, John Wyncaulton, Nic. Whyting.
- 35 at West, John Wyncaulton, Nic. Whyting.
- 36 at West, John Wyncaulton, John Hill.
- 37 at West, John Wyncaulton, John Clerke.
- 42 at West, Ralph Whytleghe, Giles Prideaux.
- 43 at West, John Sampson, Will. Stibble.
- 45 Council at Winchester, John Pafford.
- 46 P. at West, John Strippelston, Ric. Hull.
- 47 at West, John Clerk, Will. Henry.
- 50 at West, Tho. Ashendon, John Brasinter.

RICHARD II.

- 1 P. at West, John Coppleston, Tho. Reymond.
- 2 at Glouc. John Passe, Will. Cannnton.
- 3 at West, Will. Bragsfute, John Hicke.
- 6 at West, John Heath, Will. Brelston.
- 7 at New Sarum, Ric. Coppleston, Will. Ryke.
- 8 at West, Tho. Askelden, Will. Burleston.
- 9 at West, Will. Burleston, Tho. Assenden.
- 10 at West, Ric. Whitlegh, Rob. Moor.
- 11 at West, Will. Burleston, John Hitche.
- 12 at Camb. Will. Bast, Roger Skos.
- 13 at West, Tho. Aythenden, John Haule.
- 15 at West, John Brasutere, John William.
- 18 at West, John Bosoun, Edw. Arnily.
- 20 at West, John Bosoun, John Glovere.

HENRY

HENRY IV.

- 3 P. at West. John Haule, Ralph North.
- 8 at Glouc. Hen. Breimelore, John Pell.
- 11 at West. John Halle, Edw.
- 12 at West. John Hauley, John Corp.

HENRY V.

- 1 P. at West. John Hauley, John Corp.
- 2 at West. John Hauley, Edw. Arnold.
- 3 at West. Edw. Arnold, Walter Wodeland.
- 8 at West. Tho. Ashenden, Walter Wodeland.
- 9 at West. John Burley, Hen. Sadeller.

HENRY VI.

- 1 P. at West. John Hauley, Tho. Ashenden.
- 2 at West. John Hauley, John Rede.
- 3 at West. John Hauley, Tho. Lany.
- 4 at Leic. John Grvecott, Will. Nortefeld.
- 6 at West. John Hauley, John Moor.
- 8 at West. John Hanley, Tho. Ashenden.
- 9 at West. John Hauley, Tho. Hauley.
- 11 at West. Tho. Gill, Tho. Ashenden.
- 13 at West. Tho. Gylle, John Moor.
- 15 at Camb. Tho. Ayssheldon, John Walsh.
- 20 at West. Tho. Gille, Nic. Stebbing.
- 25 at Camb. Tho. Gille, Rob. Stephen.
- 27 at West. Nic. Stubbing, Rob. Wennington.
- 28 at West. Rob. Wennington, Tho. Gill.
- 29 at West. John Brusheford, Stephen Uher.
- 31 at Reading, Nic. Stebbing, John Brusheford.
- 33 at West. Tho. Gill, Nic. Stebbing.

EDWARD IV.

- 7 P. at West. Tho. Gill, Tho. Gale.
- 12 at West. Tho. Gale, Miles Mercalfe.
- 17 at West. Tho. Gale, Tho. Grayfoom.

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EDWARD

EDWARD VI.

1 P. at West.
6 at West.

MARY.

1 P. at West. Michael Adams, Michael Boone.
1 at Oxford, Edw. Sture, Nic. Adams.

PHILIP & MARY.

1 & 2 P. at West. John Peter, Nic. Enis.
2 & 3 at West. John St. Leger, Kt. James Courtney.
4 & 5 at West. Geo. Hukmore, Tho. Gourney.

ELIZABETH.

1 P. at West.
5 at West. John Moor, Kt. John Lovell, Gent.
13 at West. John Vaughan, Esq; Tho. Gourney, Gent.
14 at West. Will. Cardinal, Esq; *Tho. Gourney, Gent.
27 at West. Tho. Rudgway, Esq; Hugh Vaughan, Gent.
28 at West. Rob. Peter, Esq; George Cary of Cockington, Esq;
31 at West. Rog. Papworth, Gent. Ric. Drew, Gent.
35 at West. Nic. Sapman, Tho. Holland.
39 at West.
43 at West. John Treherne, Gent. Will. Bastard, Esq;

* In his
Place, de-
ceas'd,
Will. Li-
ster, Esq;

JAMES I.

1 P. at West. Tho. Holland, Tho. Gurney.
12 at West.
18 at West. Will. Neyell, Roger Matthew, Merchants.
21 at West. Will. Plumlegh, Roger Matthew, Merchants.

CHARLES I.

1 P. at West. John Upton, Esq; Rog. Matthew, Merchant.
1 at West. John Upton, Esq; Rog. Matthew, Merchant.
3 at West. John Upton, Esq; Rog. Matthew, Merchant.
15 at West. John Upton, Esq; Andrew Voyfy, Merchant.

16P. at West. Sam. Brown, Esq; Roger Matthew, Esq;
The. Boon, Esq;

CHARLES II.

12 P. at West. John Hale, Esq; Frederick, Esq;

13 at West. Will. Harbord, Esq; † Tho. Southcote, Esq;

31 at West. John Upton, Esq; Nathaniel Hern, Kt.

31 at West. John Upton, Esq; Edw. Yard, Esq;

32 at Oxford, Edw. Yard, Esq; John Upton, Esq;

† In his
Place, de-
ceas'd,
William
Gould, Esq
in whose
Place, also
deceas'd,
Josias
Child, Esq

JAMES II.

1 *Per* at West. Roger Pomeroy, Esq; Arthur Farewell, Esq;

WILLIAM & MARY.

1 P. at West. Will. Hayne, Merchant, Jos. Herne, Esq;

2. at West. Jos. Herne, Esq; Will. Hayne, Esq;

WILLIAM III.

7 P. 4t West. Jos. Herne, Kt. Will. Hayn, Esq;

10 at West. ‡ Jos. Herne, Kt. Frederick

Herne, Esq;

Rowland Holt, Esq; Nath.

Herne, Esq;

12 at West. Frederick Herne, Esq; Nath. Herne, Esq; Herne, Esq

13 at West. Nath. Herne, Esq; Frederick Herne, Esq;

A N N E.

1 P. at West. Nath. Herne, Esq; Frederick Herne, Esq;

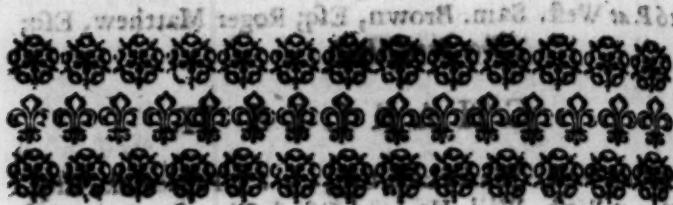
4 at West. Nath. Herne, Esq; Frederick Herne, Esq; * In his

7 at West. Nath. Herne, Esq; Frederick Herne, Esq; Place, he

9 at West. Nath. Herne, Esq; Frederick Herne, Esq; accepting a

at West. William Drake, Kt. & Bart. * Frederick Place John
Herne, Esq; Fownes,

Fownes,
sen. Esq;



BOROUGH

IN FORM A

BEREALSTON



Is an Hamlet in the Parish of *Bereferers*, from which Church it lies near two Miles distant, in the Middle of the Parish. To it belong no Fairs or Market of Consequence, tho' here is an inconsiderable Market kept on *Thursdays*: And being originally a small Town, I can't conceive (except thro' Favour to its Owners) how it came to send Members to Parliament, which it never did till 27 *Eliz.* when so many mean Boroughs were summon'd to return Burgesses. The Right of electing these Members, is in those who have Land in the Borough, and pay three Pence Acknowledgment to the Lord. Their Number is uncertain, according to their Lords granting Burgage-Tenures (tho' I hear it is under an hundred.) The Returning Officer is the Portreve, chosen annually at his Court.

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As to a Description of this Town, 'tis of small Extent, it containing only about eighty poor Houses, the Buildings of which are very ordinary. However, all the rest of the Boroughs in this County being Places of good Account, and for the most Part great trading Towns, the Inconsiderableness of this may be better allow'd, and the Eminence of its Lords, who endow'd it with the Privileges of being a Borough, make some Amends for its Meanness, of whom I come now to treat.

The first of these was, as *Risdon* tells us, *Risdon's*
a Branch budded out of the Royal Family of *Survey of*
Alençon in France, on whom *William the Con-Devonshire,*
queror bestow'd *Bire*, from whence it cor-*p. 269.*
ruptly continues the Name of *Berealston* to
this Day. In *Henry the II's* Reign, the
same Author informs us, *Henry Ferrers* held
this Honour, and had his Castle here; from
him descended *Martin Ferrers*, whose Daugh-
ter and Heir *Joan* brought this Estate to the
Champagnons, by whom it descended to *Wil-*
loughby Lord *Brook*; the last Heir of which
noble Family, viz. *Robert Willoughby* Lord
Brook, departing this Life 13 *Hen. VIII*, was
inter'd in this Parish-Church, as I have shewn
in *Kellington*, p. 174; who leaving only two
Daughters, upon Partition of Lands this Ma-
nor came to *Charles Blount*, Son and Heir to
William Lord *Mountjoy*, in Right of *Anne* his
Wife, second Daughter to this Lord *Willough-*
by; which *Charles* Lord *Mountjoy* dying *Dugd. Bar.*
no 1545, left Issue by her three Sons, and *An-Vol. 1. p.*
was succeeded in Honour by his eldest, *James*,
whose

whose second Son, *Charles*, succeeding, (on the Death of his elder Brother) was advanc'd, by King *James* the 1st, to the Title of Earl of *Levenshire*: But he deceasing without lawful Issue, his Honours became extinct. However, leaving all his Lands to *Mountjoy Blount*, his natural Son, he was, by special Favour of his Prince, created Lord *Mountjoy*, and Earl of *Newport* in the *Isle of Wight*, which Title on his Death, *Feb. 12, 1665*, descended to his Sons, who dying unmarried, these Titles expir'd *Anno 1679*. But before his Death, this first Earl of *Newport* sold this his Manor of *Bereferrers*, together with the Borough of *Berealston*, to Sir *John Maynard*, Kt. Serjeant at Law, whose Son and Heir *Joseph Maynard*, Esq; leaving Issue only two Daughters, it is now possess'd by the present Earl of *Stamford*, in Right of his Wife, *Mary*, second Daughter to the said *Joseph Maynard*; but in Default of Issue by her, it, on her Decease, goes to Sir *Henry Hobart*, Bart. descended from her other Sister, as I presume.

The Parish-Church to this Borough, viz. *Bereferrers*, is, as I have learn'd, dedicated to St. *Andrew*, and built in Form of a Cross, having a Body and two Cross-Iles, with a good Chancel, tho' the Tower is very low and ordinary. It had formerly two Chapels of Ease, one belonging to the Manor of *Ley* in this Parish, (which Manor was the antient Inheritance of the noble Family of the *Leys*, Earls of *Marlborough*) long since demolish'd; and the other Chapel, dedicated

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to the Honour of the *Holy Trinity*, stood in the Borough of *Berealsston*, near a Well call'd to this Day *Trinity Well*; but this was likewise either pull'd down, or desecrated, soon after the *Reformation*. The Rectory of *Bereferrers* is a good Benefice, the Parish being large: In the Bounds of it are said to be several Silver Mines, concerning which there was a Dispute, *Anno 14 Edw. II.* between *Reginald de Pipard*, Rector of *Bere*, and the King. These Silver Mines were re-entred by Sir *John Maynard*, after he purchas'd this Manor, but the Project was soon given over.

Ryley's
Brev. Parl.
p. 411.
Camden's
Brit. p. 38.

The aforesaid Church of *Bereferrers* is situate about four Miles from *Plymouth*, at one End of the Parish, close by the Banks of the River *Tamar*, without any Houses near it, saving four or five Cottages, and the old Manor-House. *Anno 2 Edward III.* that King granted by Patent dated May 10, to *William Ferrers*, who held the Advowson of it, (in chief of him, as of the Manor of *Trematon*) License to found therein a Chantry, to consist of six Chaplains, who were to have the Parsonage of *Bereferrers* divided among them, in proprios Usus; and to pray for the King's and Founder's good Estate while living, and Souls when departed; and for the Souls of *William and Reginald Ferrers*, and *Maud and Margery* their Wives. But I suppose this Design was not put in Execution, and the Tythes remain'd to the Rector, tho' probably the aforesaid Chapels might be founded at the same Time.

Rot. Pat.
Anno 2.
E. 3. p. 1.
m. 6.

Anno 1280, 9 Edward I. I find, in the *Monasticon*,

Dug. Mon.
Ang. Vol.
1. p. 1000.

Reginald de Ferrers, Lord of Bere
was a Benefactor to *Tauistock Abby*.

In the first Returns of Members of Parliament for this Borough of *Bere*, 'tis wrote *Berealbston*, which several Persons averring to be the true Name, I am induc'd in some Measure to depart from *Risdon's* Conjecture, and presume, that it antiently, as observ'd in some of the *Cornish* Boroughs, was a Member of the Castle of *Trematon*, and held in like Manner as *Kellington* was, by the *Ferrers's* of the Dutchy of *Cornwall*.

ELIZABETH.

- 27 P. at West. Edw. Mountagu, Esq; Edw. Phillips, Esq;
28 at West. Cha. Blunt, Esq; Nic. Martin, Esq;
31 at West. Ric. Spenser, Esq; Ferdinand Clerk, Esq;
35 at West. Cha. Blunt, Kt. Tho. Burgoyne, Esq;
39 at West. Josceline Blunt, Kt. Geo. Crooke, Esq;
43 at West. Cha. Lister, Esq; John Langford, Gent.

JAMES I.

- 1 P. at West. Arthur Atye, Kt. Ric. Strode, Kt.
12 at West. . . .
18 at West. Tho. Wise, Knight of the Bath, Thomas
Keightley, Merchant.
21 at West. Tho. Germaine, Esq; Tho. Cheeke, Kt.

In his
Place, chose
for Co. Es-
sex, Will.
Strode,
Gent.

CHARLES I.

- 1 P. at West. Will. Strode, Gent. Tho. Cheek, Kt.
1 at West. Will. Strode, Gent. Tho. Wyes, Esq;
3 at West. Will. Strode, Gent. Tho. Wyes, Esq;
15 at West. John Harris, Esq; Will. Strode, Esq;
16 at West. Will. Strode, Esq; Cha. Pym, Esq;
Francis Drake, Barr.

CHARLES

CHARLES II.

12 P. at West. John Maynard, jun. Esq; Geo. Howard, Esq;
Francis Drake, Bart.

13 at West. John Maynard, Kt. (a) Eli-
zeus Crimes, Esq;

John Maynard, Kt. Geo. How-
ard, Esq;

31 at West. Will. Bastard, Kt. (b) John Maynard, Kt.
his Majesty's Serjeant at Law.

31 at West. Will. Bastard, Kt. John Trevor, Kt.

32 at Oxford, Duncombe Colchester, Kt. John Elwell,
Merchant.

(a) In his
Place,

Jos. May-
nard, Esq;

(b) In his
Place, chose

for Ply-
mouth,

John Tre-
vor, Kt.

(c) In his
Place, chose

for Tavi-
stock John

Smith, Esq

(d) In his
Place, de-
ceas'd,

Hen. Ho-
bart, Bart.

(e) In his
Place, chose

for Co.
Norfolk,

Rowland
Gwyn Esq

(f) In his
Place, chose

for Co. Bre-
con, James

Monta-
gue, Esq;

(g) In his
Place, chose

for Co. Bre-
con, Will.

Cowper,
Esq;

(h) In his
Place made

Lord Keep-
er, Spencer

Cowper,
Esq;

JAMES II.

1 P. at West. John Maynard, Kt. one of his Majesty's Ser-
jeants at Law, Ben. Bathurst, Kt.

WILLIAM & MARY.

1 P. at West. John Elwill, Esq; Tho. Trevor, Kt.

2 at West. (c) Fra. Drake, Bart. (d) John Swinfen, Esq;

WILLIAM III.

7 P. at West. (e) Hen. Hobart, Bart. John Elwill, Esq;

10 at West. (f) Rowland Gwynne, Kt. James Moun-
tague, Esq;

12 at West. (g) Rowland Gwynne, Kt. Peter King,
Esq;

13 at West. Will. Cowper, Esq; Peter King, Esq;

ANNE.

1 P. at West. Will. Cowper, Esq; Peter King, Esq;

4 at West. (b) Will. Cowper, Esq; Peter King, Esq;

7 at West. Spencer Cowper, Esq; Peter King, Esq;

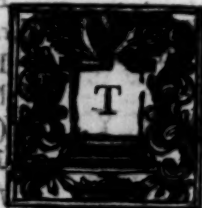
9 at West. Peter King, Kt. Recorder of London, Lau-
rence Carter, Esq;

12 at West. Peter King, Kt. Recorder of London, Lau-
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*Risdon's
Survey of
Devon. Vol.
1. p. 38.*



*Dugd. Bar.
Vol. 1. p.
257.*

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HIS Town, from its Situation between two Fords, call'd anciently *Twiford* Town, and from thence contractly *Tiverton*, being in *Doomsday-Book* describ'd under the Title of *Terra Regis*, we may presume it belong'd to the Crown before King *Henry I.* conferr'd it upon *Richard Redvers* Earl of *Devonshire*, the last of which Family, viz. *Baldwin Redvers*, dying Anno 1262, 46 *Hen. III.* left the Manor of *Tiverton*, inter alia, in Dower to *Amicia* his Wife; on whose Death, Anno 12 *Edw. I.* it came to *Isabella de Fortibus* Countess of *Albemarle*, her Daughter and sole Heir. This *Amicia*, Anno 10 *Edw. I.* being summon'd to set forth her Title to her Possessions at this Place, certify'd her Claim to *View of frank Pledge, Assize of Bread and Beer, a Gallows, Pillory, &c. and a Monday Market, and three yearly Fairs*, viz. on the Feast of the Translation of *St. Thomas*, and the Day, *Eves, and Morrow of St. Giles and St. Andrew*,

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drew, (*viz.* July 7, Sept. 1, and Nov. 30) in her Manor of Tiverton, which the Jury return'd to be worth sixty Marks per Annum, and that she held it in Dower, and that after her Death these Liberties would descend to Isabell her Daughter, Countess of Albemarl. How it descended from this Isabell to the Courtenays, and also on their Attainder, *temp. Edw. IV.*, was granted to Humphry Stafford Earl of Devon, and afterwards by the same King to Sir John Dynham, and the King's Brother the Duke of Clarence, may be seen in the Baronage, Vol. 1. p. 173 and 514, and Vol. 2. p. 164, and in Okehampton aforementioned. After which Duke's Decease this Manor, Borough, and Hundred, was, by Letters Patent dated Sept. 6, 1484, 2 Ric. III, granted to Sir Ric. Radcliff, Kt. But upon K. Henry the VIIth's Accession to the Crown, the next Year, the Courtenays had Restitution thereof, and accordingly enjoy'd it, 'till the Attainder of the Marquis of Exeter, Anno 30 Hen. VIII; upon which it coming to the Crown, was, Anno 1 Edw. VI, bestow'd by that Prince on his Unkle Edward Seymour Duke of Somerset; and, on his Fall, by Letters Patent dated June 12, in the seventh and last Year of his Reign, (about five Weeks before his Death) given to Sir Henry Gate. But he scarcely possess'd it; for Queen Mary granted it, on the 28th of September following, to Edward Courtenay, Son and Heir to the aforesaid Marquis, whom she conferr'd all his Father's Honours, with great Part of his Inheritance, among which was this Manor, Honour, and Hundred,

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ded, with the Advowson of the three Portions of the Church of Tiverton. These Demeasnes have been since so disparkel'd among his Coheirs, the Trelawneys, Mobuns, Arundels, and the Descendants of the Tretherfs (the Vyvians and Courtenays) and by them in such Manner divided and subdivided, and in part sold at different Times, that I have not been able to derive how this Manor has pass'd for near an hundred Years last past; and all I can learn is, that 'tis subdivided into about forty Parts, one Share whereof belongs to Colman, Esq; tho' the most entire is the Mobun's Purparty, purchas'd by the Father of Peter West, Esq; the present Proprietor of that Moiety, containing a fourth Part of the Manor of the Borough, which, tho' an ancient one, and so occurring early in Records, never sent Representatives to Parliament, or was summon'd so to do, 'till King James I, Anno 1615, imprivleg'd it by Charter to return Burgesses, at which Time he also incorporated it, by the Name of a Mayor, twelve principal Burgesses, and as many Assistants, in whom he vested the Choice of the Parliament-Men, which are chose by the Mayor and the said twenty four, pursuant to this King's Charter, of which this is an Abstract; 'tis dated August 10, 13 Jac. I, and begins with a Recital of Tiverton's being an ancient Town, and afterwards specifies it having been lately burnt, to the Value of thirty five thousand Pounds; wherefore the King, to benefit the Inhabitants, "Ordains, " that the said Town of Tiverton should be a free

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" a free Town, incorporate, consisting of a
" Mayor, twelve capital Burgeses, and
" twelve inferiour Burgeses, or Assistants,
" who should be the Common Council of the
" said Town; and that *Richard Hill*, alias
" *Spurway*, should be the first Mayor, and
" continue in that Office from the *Tuesday*
" after the Feast of *St. Bartholomew* next fol-
" lowing, for one whole Year; and that
" *George Giffard*, Esq; *John Dayman*, Gent.
" *Humphry Coleman*, *Edw. Amey*, *John West*,
" *John Blundell*, *Ric. Prowse*, *Nic. Skinner*,
" *John Cogan*, *John Berrye*, *Elizeus Bennet*,
" and *John Quick*, sen. Inhabitants of the
" Town and Parish, should be the first capi-
" tal Burgeses; and that *Christopher Dynham*,
" *John Togood*, *Will. Hill*, alias *Spurway*, *Ro-*
" *ger Slee*, *Geo. Hukley*, *James Cornish*, *Arthur*
" *Culme*, *John Blagdon*, *Edw. Kerstake*, *Anthony*
" *Farmer*, and *John French*, should be the first
" Assistants; and that the Mayor and said
" Corporation should have a Clerk of the Peace
" and Recorder; and that *Henry Newte*, sen.
" should be the first Clerk of the Peace, and
" that *Humphry Ware* should be the first Re-
" corder; and that the Mayor, &c. should
" have a Goal, and be Keeper of that
" Goal in the Town and Parish of *Tiverton*;
" and that the Delivery thereof should be
" before the Mayor and Recorder; and that
" the Mayor, Burgeses, and Assistants of
" the Ville and Parish of *Tiverton*, upon Re-
" ceipt of the King's Writ, and his Succes-
" sors, should have the Power, Authority,
" and Faculty of naming and electing two
" Bur-

“ Burgeſſes of his Parliament, and of his
 “ Succeſſors, who, ſo elected, ſhould repair
 “ to Parliament at the Coſt of the Inhabi-
 “ tants, &c. of the Town of *Tiverton*; and
 “ that no Stranger, except he is a Freeman
 “ of *Tiverton*, ſhould ſell or expoſe Wares
 “ there; and that they ſhould have two
 “ Fairs, one upon *Trinity Tueſday*, and the
 “ other upon *Michaelmas Day*, and upon the
 “ Eve and Morrow of the ſame; and a Pye-
 “ Powder-Court, paying yearly to the ſaid
 “ King, and his Succeſſors, five Marks.

The Town of *Tiverton* is a large populous
 Place, and drives a conſiderable Trade in
 Cloathing, in which Manufacture it is ſo im-
 prov'd, that it daily increaſes in Inhabi-
 tants; and that they are doubly increas'd in
 an hundred Years, may be ſeen in *Grant's*
Observations on the Bills of Mortality, who
 gives, from p. 188 to p. 193, from the Pa-
 riſh-Registers of the Church of *Tiverton*, an
 Account of the Births and Burials here;
 which latter *Anno* 1566 amounted to no
 more than ſeventy one, and *Anno* 1660 to
 one hundred thirty nine, and *Anno* 1664
 to two hundred and twelve; and that this
 Town is, even ſince this Time, conſiderably
 increas'd I have been inform'd; and that
 they are therefore now making Preparations
 for building a new Church, tho' the preſent is
 a large Fabrick, and has had the good Fortune,
 notwithſtanding the Town has been twice
 burnt, to eſcape, tho' at one Conflagration no
 leſs than ſix hundred Houſes were conſum'd;

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'tis dedicated to St. Peter and Paul. The South Side of it was built Anno 1517, by John Greenway a wealthy Merchant, (whom Risdon calls William) as was the neat Porch, and a beautiful Chapel richly gilded adjoining, on which was this written:

*Risdon's
Survey of
Devonshire,
Vol. 2. p.*

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To the Honour of St. Christopher, St. Blase, and St. Anne,

This Chapel by William Greenway was began.

In the Church-yard we are likewise inform'd by Risdon of a noble Chapel built by the

*ib. Vol. 1.
p. 40.*

Courtenays Earls of Devon, wherein were inter'd Edw. Courtenay Earl of Devon, with his Countess Catharine, Daughter of King Edw. IV, under a magnificent Tomb, on which lay their Effigies of Alabaster, sumptuously gilded, which he laments its being defac'd in his Time; tho' since it hath far'd worse, the very Chapel itself having been demolish'd in the great Rebellion, Anno 1640.

The same Author also tells us of the Courtenays dividing this rich Rectory into three Portions, viz. of Tidcombe, Clare, and Pitt, because, when single, it did not content the Avarice of the Incumbent; but I suppose the Division was rather on the Account of the great Extent of the Parish, and that there might be different Chapels belonging to each of these three Divisions for the respective Rectors to officiate in. In the Probates of Wills, besides the Church of St. Peter and St. Paul at Tiverton, I have met with a Chapel of St. Andrew in that Borough, which I hear is now

ib. p. 39.

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converted into a *Bridewell*; and of *St. Mary* at *Chettiscombe* in this Parish, and of *St. James* at *Clavishoven*, both which are still in Being; and the latter, with some impropriated Tythes, heretofore bestow'd by the *Courtenays* on *St. James's Monastery* at *Exeter*, is now vested in *King's College, Cambridge*. Here are also several other Chapels, or lately were, viz. one of *St. John Baptist* at *Cove*, another of *St. Bartholomew* at *Bollham*, a third of *St. John* at *Church-Combe*, all in the Rectory of *Pitt*: In *Clare Portion*, at *Palmers* I find a Chapel of *St. Matthew*, and in *Tidcombe* of *St. Laurence*, in a Village call'd *Eastmear*; besides which, there were Chapels at *West Manby* and *Verby*, now quite down, and another at *Tidcombe Parsonage-House*, besides a Chapel of *St. Thomas* in the Borough of *Tiverton*, now converted into a Goal, over which is the Guild-Hall. The Presentation of these three Portions is in the *Rev. Sam. Newte* for two Parts, or half feudal *Endeal*, the quarter Part in *Peter West, Esq.* and an eighth in *Mr. John Spurway*, and *Sir Richard Vyvyan, Bart.* (who probably has some small Part of his Ancestors Right remaining in the Borough.) But the chief Glory of this Town is its Free-School, founded by *Peter Blundell*, a wealthy Cloathier of *Tiverton*, who gave 2000*l.* for purchasing Lands towards the Maintenance of six Scholars at *Oxford* and *Cambridge*, to be elected from this School; but since the Number is augmented to eight; viz. four in *Bailliol College* in *Oxford*, and four in *Sidney* in *Cambridge*. This School, &c. is
a very

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a very large Pile of Building, with a Cup-
lo in the Middle, and convenient Apart-
ments for the Master and Usher. But there
being an Account of it in Mr. *Blundell's* Life
in *Prince's Worthies of Devon*, together with
the Charities bestow'd by him, p. 89, 90, &
91, and also, in the same Author, of Mr.
Greenway's building Part of this Church at
Tiverton, and founding an Almshouse there,
p. 324 and 325, I need not enlarge herein.

JAMES I.

- 18 P. at West. John Bampfild, Esq; John Davy, Esq;
- 21 at West. Geo. Chudleigh, Kt. & Bart. Humphry
Were, Esq;

CHARLES I.

- 1 P. at West. Rowland St. John, Kt. John Francis, Esq;
- 1 at West. John Drake, Esq; Peter Ball, Esq;
- 3 at West. John Bluett, Esq; Peter Hall, Esq;
- 15 at West. Peter Ball, Esq; the Queen's Attorney, De-
ter St. Hill, Esq;
- 16 at West. Peter St. Hill, Esq; Geo. Hartnell, Esq;
John Elford, Esq; Rob. Shapcote, Esq;

CHARLES II.

- 12 P. at West. Tho. Bampfild, Esq; Rob. Shapcote, Esq;
- 13 at West. † Tho. Stewkly, Kt. † Tho. Carew, Esq;
- 31 at West. Sam. Ford, Esq; Hen. Ford, Kt.
- 31 at West. Hen. Ford, Kt. Sam. Foot, Esq;
- 32 at Oxf. Sam. Foot, Esq; Hen. Ford, Kt.

JAMES II.

- 1 P. at West. Hen. Ackland, Bart. Will. Coleman, Esq;

† In his
Place,
Henry
Ford, Esq;
† In his
Place, Sam.
Foot, Mer-
chant.

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WIL-

WILLIAM & MARY.

* In his
Place, de-
ceas'd,
Anthony
Keck, Kt.

1 P. at West. Sam. Foot, Esq; Will. Coleman, Esq;

2 at West. Tho. Bere, Esq; * Sam. Foot, Esq;

WILLIAM III.

7 P. at West. Tho. Bere, Esq; Hon. Cha. Spencer, Esq;

10 at West. Tho. Bere, Esq; Right Hon. Charles Lord
Spencer.

12 at West. Right Hon. Charles Lord Spencer, Thomas
Bere, Esq;

† In his
Place, call'd
to the House
of Peers,
Robert
Burridge,
Esq;

13 at West. Right Hon. Charles Lord Spenser, Thomas
Bere, Esq;

ANNE.

1 P. at West. Tho. Bere, Esq; † Right Hon. Charles Lord
Spencer.

4 at West. Tho. Bere, Esq; Rob. Burridge, Esq;

7 at West. Tho. Bere, Esq; Ric. Merwin, Esq;

9 at West. † Tho. Bere, Esq; Ric. } Double Return, the 2d
Merwin, Esq; John } Name, viz. Mr. Mer-
Worth, Esq; } win's taken off.

12 at West. Edw. Northey, Kt. her Majesty's Attorney-
General, John Worth, Esq;

† In his
Place, he
taking a
Place, Ed-
ward Nor-
they, Kt.
Attorney-
General.



COUNTY



COUNTY OF DORSET



AS, in the Time of the *Romans*, possess'd by the *Durotriges*, who had here their chief Cities, or Towns, *Durnovaria*, *Dorchester*, and *Vindogladia*, *Winburn*. These *Durotriges* *Camden* derives from the *British* *Dour*, or *dwr*, Water, and *Trig*, Inhabitant, implying its Signification of People dwelling by the Water or Sea Side; which Etymology agrees also with the *Saxon* Denomination *Doprettan*; whence we, at this Day, term it *Dorsetshire*. This County may, of all others in *England*, glory most in its Commodities, being well supply'd with all Necessaries for Life, without being beholden to any neighbouring one, as a certain Author remarks; for it can, as he tells us,

Fuller's
Worthies,
p. 277.

* 1. Feed it self with fine Wheat, fat
Flesh, dainty Fowl, wild an tame, and
Fish, from Sea, and Rivers; and to this
Ddd 2 Meat

" Meat it yieldeth Salt, made here in great Measure.

" 2. *Cloath it self* with its own Wooll, and broad Cloth made thereof; no Place in England affording so many Sheep, in so small a Compass, as about *Dorchester*: And as they are provided for Warmth in their Woollen, so for Cleanliness with their Linnen Cloth, great Store of Flax and Hemp growing here.

" 3. *Build its own Houses* with Timber out of *Blackmore-Forest*, and the best free Stone out of *Portland*. Nor wanteth it Veins of Marble in the Isle of *Purbeck*: And to all this an excellent Air, and the Convenience of the Sea, to export for their Profit, and import for their Pleasure.

To which I may add, that for *Plenteousness, Cheapness, good Roads, Hospitality, Courteousness, &c.* of its *Gentry* and *Commonalty*, it surpasseth all Parts of *England*, and has therefore been justly celebrated on several of these Accounts; and particularly for its pleasant and delightful Prospects of Woods and Rivers, not improperly stil'd **THE GARDEN OF ENGLAND**. But the Compass of my Design admits me not to descant on this Subject; so I must abruptly leave off my Description, and wish for some able Pen to illustrate its Beauties, and give us an Account of the Antiquities and Rarities thereof; which *Dorsetshire* will abundantly furnish us with. However, as it gaye me Birth, so I hope I may be allow'd

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to introduce my weak Efforts, in presuming to attempt an History of this County, and its Boroughs, with these Lines of our most famous Antiquarian Poet; and in like Manner address my native County of *Dorset*, as he does his of *Warwick*, (only transposing a Word or two.)

Drayton's Polyolbion, p. 213.

*Brave Dorset, that above all Shires dost bear thy Head,
My Native Country, which such noble Spirits hast bred;
If there be Virtue yet remaining in thy Earth,
Or any Good thou breathest into my Birth,
Accept it as thine own, whilst now I speak of thee,
Of all thy later Brood the unworthiest tho' I be.*

To justify my self from Partiality in what I urge in Behalf of this County, I need only appeal to the Residence of most of the Saxon Kings here; of which, to instance only in those after the Heptarchy, in Number no more than *eighteen*; as they, for the Generality, preferr'd *Dorsetshire*, and for the most Part resided (whilst living) in their Palaces there; so, after their Deaths, more of them were interr'd in *Dorsetshire*, than any other County, no less than two being bury'd in the Cathedral Church at *Sbirburne*, one in the Minster at *Winborne*, and another in the Abby of *Sbaftebury*; which two first Churches, yet in Being, are most magnificent Piles, (as shall be shewn anon.) What Sort of Structures these Kings ancient Palaces were,

were, we can only conjecture, that, according to the Fashion of those Times, they were vastly large, as are now several of the present Gentries Seats, rivalling rather Palaces of Princes or Noblemen, than Habitations of private Gentlemen; in which Respect, forasimuch as this County is remarkable, I hope my worthy Friends and Relations will pardon my inserting some of them, as

Lulworth Castle, built about 100 Years ago, the Seat of *Wild*, Esq; by much the finett of its Kind I have ever seen for Uniformity, &c. This was justly admir'd by King *Charles II.*

Melbury, a very large Building, the Seat of *Thomas Strangeways*, Esq; embellish'd with curious Paintings, and fine Gardens.

Kingston-Hall, (near *Badbury*, reputed one of the Palaces of our Saxon Kings before-mention'd) erected by *Sir Ralph Banks*, for state-ly Rooms, pleasant Avenues, &c. so compleat, that the late Owner, *J. Bankes*, Esq; hath been offer'd 10000 *l.* for the capital Mansion only; and so delightful was its Situation, &c. that the late Duke of *Ormond* liv'd and dy'd there.

Frampton, newly edify'd by my honoured Uncle, *Robert Browne*, Esq; on the Site of the old Manor-House of his Ancestors, a most regular, strong, and well finish'd Pile, adorn'd with a Front of above eighty Feet of *Portland Stone*, and furnish'd with all Conveniencies, except that the Park is neglected. He also neatly rebuilt, at his sole Charge, Anno 1695, the Tower of the Parish-Church,

Church, fallen to the Ground, and made a tunable Ring of six good Bells.

Breivston near *Blandford*, to which *Henry Portman Seymour, Esq.* has made great Improvements, and might add more, but that he has so many fine Seats elsewhere. I shall speak only one Word of

Winborn St. Giles, the Seat of the Earl of *Shaftesbury*, (the only Nobleman residing within the County, except the Lord *Digby* at *Sherborne* sometimes) the Apartments of which below Stairs may be compar'd to any Person of Quality's House in *England*; and

The two Seats of *Sir Nathaniel Napier, Bart.* with several others, too numerous to be treated on, and proceed to speak somewhat of its Towns, in which Respect I shall only, besides the Boroughs hereafter describ'd, include three or four Places, viz. *Blandford, Winbornminster, Sherborne*, and *Milton*; the first of which, as an ancient Borough, sent Representatives twice to Parliament, viz.

EDWARD I.

33 P. at West. Nicholas de Holt, Nicholas Horne.

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22 P. at West. Ralph le Usher, Roger de Manyngford.

It is still a Town corporate, and for Trade and good Building one of the principal in the County, and is frequented the most with Gentry

Gentry of any in these Parts, and affordeth extraordinary good Accommodation on the Road to Travellers. The Quarter-Sessions for the County are held here once a Year.

Winbornminster is likewise an ancient Borough, and is famous for its noble Church, built Cathedralwise, with a Tower in the Middle, and another at the West End, or Front. On that in the Middle was a high Spire, which falling down *Anno* 1610, has not been since rebuilt. In that at the West End, is a tunable Ring of six very deep Bells. These Towers are seemingly of equal Height, being about ninety Feet each. But when the Spire was standing on that in the Middle, it was reckon'd about ninety Feet more; which answer'd to about the Length of the Church. The Choir is still preserv'd, being the only one in this County. To it belong *four singing Men*, and *six Boys*, and an *Organist*, who has about 30*l.* per *Annum* Salary, and the singing Men about half as much, and the Boys about 6*l.* Three Vicars (according to the old Establishment) belong to this Church, and officiate by Turns. In the Choir is bury'd *Gertrude Courtenay*, last Marchioness of *Exeter*, and *John Beaufort* Duke of *Somerset*, and *Margaret* his Wife; a Draught of whose Monument is represented in *Sandford's Genealogical History*, pag. 314; and here is also interr'd *St. Ethelred*, King of the *Saxons*; in Memory of whom still remains an ancient Marble, with a demy Effigies of a King crown'd, and underneath

neath this Inscription in Brass, of no very old Date.

In hoc Loco quiescit Corpus Sancti Ethelredi, Regis West Saxonum, Martyris, qui A.D. 872, 23 April, per manus Danorum Paganorum occubuit. And near him was bury'd St. Cuthburga.

As this Parish is the largest in Extent in the County, so *Sherborne* is for Number of Souls, that Town containing, as 'tis said, 20000; and 'twas probably more out of Favour, than the Smallness of this Place, that occasion'd the Translation of the Bishoprick, Anno 1075, hence to *Salisbury*; before which here sate twenty five Bishops in this Church, converted, not long after the Removal of the Episcopal Dignity, into an Abby; the Church of which, built about the Time of *Henry VI*, is yet standing, being happily rescu'd at the *Reformation*, and bought by the Townsmen; who, to preserve it, neglected and pull'd down all their other Churches and Chapels about the Town, which the Inhabitants say were seven, tho' they are ignorant of their Names. Wherefore I shall here barely mention them: They were *All-balls* near the Abby, *St. Emerentiana*, on the North Side of the Town; and *St. Mary's* in the Body of our *Lady's* Abby, all three Parish-Churches; and *St. Michael's* Chapel, and *St. John's* Hermitage by the Mill; and *St. Thomas a Beckett's* Chapel by the *New Inn*; and *St. Mary le Bow* Chapel on the South Side the Abby; of which there being a Draught in *Dugdale's Monasticon*, I may

Decem Scriptor, p.

946, 947.

Dug. Mon.

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i. p. 62.

Leland's I-

tin. Vol. 2.

p. 40, &c.

thither refer; tho' indeed that does not answer the Beauty of the Church, which is a most solemn Building, and is kept in good Repair. In the South Cross-Isle is a sumptuous Monument of *John Digby*, Earl of *Bristol*, who dy'd *Ann.* 1698. which is reported to have cost 1500*l.* and at the Entrance from the Porch, under a very large Stone, as 'tis said, lie interr'd *Ethelbald* and *Ethelbert*, both Kings of *England*, about two hundred Years before the *Conquest*. In the Tower hangs an extraordinary Ring of six Bells, so big, that they require near twenty Men to ring them. Here have been frequently held the County-Affizes, tho' not lately, the last Time being about thirty Years ago, when my Grandfather, *Robert Browne*, Esq; was High Sheriff. The other Town remaining to be describ'd, viz. *Milton-Abby*, is also famous for its large and beautiful Church, and great Bells, of which all the West Part is down to the great Tower in the Middle, what is standing is about one hundred and sixty Feet from West to East, and about as much from North to South, viz. in the Cross-Isle. This Church well deserves a Draught, as does *Winbornminster*; and Pity it is that *Sherburne* was not better taken. The Number of Parishes in this County is reputed two hundred forty eight, of which twenty are Market-Towns, eight or nine whereof are describ'd in the following Account, as are four in the preceding; the rest of them are of no great Note, tho' one of them, viz. *Ecere-Regis*, a small Town, was made by *Edw. I.* a free Borough

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Borough. However, neither that, or any other Place, unless those here mention'd by me, ever return'd Burgesſes to Parliament; except *Sherborne*, on Account of its being a Town of great Trade, ſent once Representatives to a Council, by a particular Summons, which may be ſeen in the firſt Volume of this Work, p. 87. The Perſons return'd were,

*Rot. Pat.
Anno 17
Edw. 1. m.
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EDWARD III.

11 Council at Weſt. Adam de Livedon, Ric. atte Slade,
Will. Turpin.

Before the Reformation, here were reckon'd ſeventeen Religious Houſes; and as to Eccleſiaſtical Jurisdiction, this County, as ſhew'd in *Cornwall*, p. 2, belong'd to the Biſhops of the *Weſt Saxons*, before the fixing of the Episcopical Chair, Anno 705, at *Sherborne*; upon the Removal of which to *Salisbury*, A. 1075, it continu'd Part of that Dioceſe, till Hen. VIII, Anno Regni 33, & A. D. 1542, erecting a new See at *Bristol*, appropriated *Dorſetſhire* thereto, to whole Biſhops this County now belongs, which has given Title, ſince the Conqueſt, to ſixteen Earls and Marquiſſes, the firſt of which was *Oſmund Earl of Seex in Normandy*, created Earl of *Dorſet* by Will. the Conqueror, he was alſo ſecond Biſhop of *Salisbury*, as *Goodwin* obſerves, p. 337, who dy'd Anno 1099. A long Time after which, Ric. 2, Anno 1398, made *John de Beaufort* (Earl of *Somerſet*) Marquis of *Dorſet*, from which Honour he was degraded afterwards by Hen. IV, and his younger Brother Tho.

*Tanner's
Notit. Monast. p. 55.*

*Godwin of
Biſhops p.
500.*

*Camden's
Brit. p. 51,
52.*

was created Earl of Dorset, as he was afterwards Duke of Exeter; he dying without Issue, King Henry VI made Edmund Beaufort, first Earl, then Marquis of Dorset, and last Duke of Somerset; whose Sons Henry and Edmund being both beheaded in the Civil Wars of York and Lancaster, King Edward IV, Anno 1475, advanc'd Thomas Grey, of the Family of Ruthyn, to the Title of Marquis of Dorset, who was succeeded in this Honour by Thomas his Son, and Henry his Grandson, created Duke of Suffolk, by reason of his Marriage with Frances Daughter of Charles Brandon Duke of Suffolk, Niece to Henry VIII, by his Sister Mary the French Queen. He being beheaded for High Treason, Anno 1553, the Title of Dorset lay extinct till the Year 1603, 1 Jac. I, when that Prince, by Letters Patent dated March 13, created Thomas Sackville, Lord Buckhurst, Lord High Treasurer of England, Earl of Dorset. He was succeeded by his Son Robert, and he by his Sons Richard and Edward; to whom succeeded Richard, Father of Charles, created in the Life-time of his Father, April 4, 1675, Baron Cranfeild, and Earl of Middlesex, on whose Death, which happen'd January 29, 1706, Lionel, his Son and Heir, succeeded him in all his Titles.

Dale's Catalogue of the Nobility, f. 41.

Ibidem.

Pryn's Parl. Regist. of Writs, Vol. 4. p. 663.

Number of the Days Expences allotted to Knights and Burgeses of this Shire, in repairing anciently to and returning from great Councils and Parliaments, at the Places where they were usually held, are as follows:

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lows : At Cambridge three Days and an half,
at Coventry four, Gloucester two, Leicester
three, London and Westminster three and four,
Northampton four, Nottingham five and five
and an half, Salisbury two, Winchester two
and three, York nine.

EDWARD I.

- 18 P. at West. John de Bosco, Ric. de Haveringes.
- 23 at West. John Martyn, Hugh de Strode.
- 25 at London, Phillip Mowbanks, Hen. Tonere.
- 26 at York, Phillip Mowbanks, James de Trowe.
- 28 at London, John de Cerne, John de Wroxhull.
- 28 at Linc. Robert de Balliolo, Peter Becard.
- 28 at West. Henry Toner, Phillip Mowbanks.
- 30 at London, John de Muleburn, Martin Sherburne.
- 33 at West. John de Muleburn, John de Turbervill.
- 34 at West. John de Muleburn, Roger de Haverings.
- 35 at Carlisle, John de Percy, Rob. de Godmanston.

EDWARD II.

- 1 P. at Northtch. John de Placetis, John de Newburgh.
- 2 at West. Ralph de Gorges, Hen. Tower.
- 5 at London, Hen. Huse, John de Percy.
- 5 at West. John de Latimer, John de Percy.
- 6 at West. John de Broxale, . . . le Guldene.
- 6 at West. Peter Fitz Reginald, John de Alneto.
- 7 at West. Peter Fitz Reginald, John Syfrewast.
- 8 at West. John de Cerne, John de Broxfall.
- 8 at York, John de Chydyoke, Will. de Whitefeild.
- 9 at Linc. John de Alneto,
- 9 at West. John Peverel, Roger le Geldene.
- 10 at Linc. John Peverel,
- 12 at York, John le Latimer, Rob. de Nywenham.
- 12 at York, John Matravers, jun. John de Latimer.
- 15 at West. Tho. Marleigh, Walter Warner.
- 16 at York, John Gifrewast, John de Meleplest.
- 17 at West. John Peverel, Walter Berrill.
- 18 at West. John Gifrewast, John de Ledrede.
- 19 at West. Ric. de Manston, Rob. de Clerebek.
- 20 at West. John Peverel, Brian Gouytz.

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EDWARD III.

- 1 *P. at West.* John Peverel, Brian de Gouge.
 1 *Treaty at Linc.* Rob. de Newburgh, Brian de Gouiz.
 2 *P. at New Sarum,* Rob. de Newburgh, John Peverel.
 2 *at Northton.* Rob. de Newburgh, Brian de Gouiz.
 2 *at York,* Rob. de Newburgh, Brian de Gouiz.
 4 *at West.* John Peverel, Hen. de Guldene.
 4 *at Winch.* Rob. de Newburgh, Will. de Estok.
 5 *at West.* John Peverel, Walter de Beril.
 6 *at West.* John Peverel, Walter Beril.
 7 *at York,* Rob. de Newburgh, John Lok.
 7 *at York,* John de Sully, John de Brudeports.
 8 *at West.* John de Sully, Brian de Gouitz.
 8 *at York,* John de Brudeport,
 9 *at York,* Brian de Gouitz, Walter Beril.
 10 *Council at Nortt.* Will. Everard, Walter Heryng.
 10 *P. at West.* Rob. de Newburgh, Tho. de Marlebergh.
 11 *at West.* Will. Everard, Walter Heryng.
 11 *Council at West.* John de Wake, John de Gouys.
 11 *P. at West.* Brian de Gouys, Walter Heryng.
 12 *at West.* Brian de Gouys, Walter Heryng.
 12 *Council at Northton.* John de Woburn, Rob. de Ro-
 deston.
 12 *P. at West.* John Mautravers, John de Latimer.
 13 *at West.* Walter Heryng, John de Gouitz.
 13 *at West.* John Chidiok, John de Mundene.
 14 *at West.* John Gouitz, Roger Champayn.
 14 *at West.* John de Gouitz, Roger Chaumpaigne.
 14 *at West.* John Gouitz,
 15 *at West.* John Gouitz, Roger de Guldene.
 17 *at West.* Ric. Turbervill, Adam Turbervill.
 18 *at West.* Andrew Turbervill, Rob. Ciffrewast.
 20 *at West.* Rob. Ciffrewast, John Mundene.
 21 *at West.* Ric. Turbervile, Tho. de Brideport.
 22 *at West.* Nic. de Pleycy, John Turbervill.
 22 *at West.* Ric. Turbervile, Tho. de Brideport.
 24 *at West.* Will. de Northton, Will. Filliol.
 25 *at West.* Will. de Northton, Will. Filliol.
 26 *at West.* Ric. Turbervill, John de Munden.
 26 *Council at West.* John de Sully.
 27 *at West.* Roger de Bradeston.
 28 *P. at West.* Rob. Latimer, James de Childecambe.

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- 29 P. at West. Tho. de la Bere, Roger Guldene.
- 31 at West. Tho. de la Bere, Roger de Guldene.
- 31 at West. Edw. Everard, John atte Hall.
- 32 at West. Edw. Everard, John atte Hall.
- 34 at West. Roger Maningford, Walter Perleck.
- 34 at West. Rob. Latimer, John de Hale.
- 36 at West. John de la Hale, Tho. de la Bere.
- 37 at West. John de la Hale, Tho. de la Bere.
- 39 at West. John de la Hale, Tho. de la Bere.
- 40 at West. Will. Filliol, Roger de Manyngford.
- 42 at West. John de la Hale, John Mautravers.
- 43 at West. John Chedyok, Tho. Brudeport.
- 45 at West. John Hamely, Walter Perle.
- 45 Council at Winchester, Walter Perle.
- 46 P. at West. Stephen Derby, John Frompton.
- 47 at West. Roger de Manyngford, Roger Butteffhorn.
- 50 at West. Tho. Blount, John Hamely.
- 51 at West. John Hamely, Tho. Blount.

RICHARD II.

- 1 P. at West. Edw. Fitz Herbert, *Chlr.* Edw. de Cerne, *Chlr.*
- 2 at Glouc. John Fitz Waryn, Alan Cheyney, *Chlr.*
- 2 at West. Stephen Derby, *Chlr.* Roger Manyngford.
- 3 at West. Stephen Derby, *Chlr.* John Frompton.
- 4 at Northton. Stephen Derby, Roger Manyngford.
- 5 at West. Stephen Derby, John Mautravers.
- 5 at West. Stephen Derby, *Chlr.* John Mautravers.
- 6 at West. Stephen Derby, *Chlr.* John Mautravers.
- 6 at West. Stephen Derby, *Chlr.* John Mautravers.
- 7 at West. Stephen Derby, *Chlr.* John Mautravers.
- 7 at New Sarum, Stephen Derby, *Chlr.* John Mautravers.
- 8 at West. Stephen Derby, *Chlr.* John Mautravers.
- 9 at West. Stephen Derby, *Chlr.* John Mautravers.
- 10 at West. Stephen Derby, *Chlr.* John Frome, *Chlr.*
- 11 at West. Rob. Turbervill, *Chlr.* John Frome.
- 12 at Camb. Humphry Stafford, *Chlr.* John Moigne.
- 13 at West. Humphry Stafford, *Chlr.* John Frome.
- 14 at West. Stephen Derby, *Chlr.* Theobald Wyckham.
- 15 at West. Humphry Stafford, *Chlr.* John Hamely.
- 16 at West. Humphry Stafford, *Chlr.* John Moigne.
- 17 at West. Stephen Derby, *Chlr.* John Perle.

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- 18 P. at West. Humphry Stafford, *Chlr.* Theobald Wykham.
 20 at West. Humphry Stafford, *Chlr.* John Moigne.
 21 at West. John Bache, Will. Martyn.

HENRY IV.

- 1 P. at West. Humphry Stafford, *Chlr.* John Frome.
 2 at West. Humphry Stafford, *Chlr.* John Frome.
 3 at West. Will. Cheyne, John Bache.
 4 at West. Will. Cheyne, John Bache.
 5 at West. Humphry Stafford, *Chlr.* John . . .
 6 at Coventry, John Devereux, *Chlr.* John Frampton.
 8 at West. Humphry Stafford, *Chlr.* Ivo Fitz Waryn,
Chlr.
 9 at Glouc. Humphry Stafford, *Chlr.* Ivo Fitz Waryn,
Chlr.

HENRY V.

- 1 P. at West. Tho. Broke, Esq; Will Stourton.
 2 at Leic. Humphry Stafford, Kr. Will. Filoll.
 2 at West. Humphry Stafford, John Chiddioke.
 3 at West. Brian de Stapelton, *Chlr.* Rob. de Plimpton.
 5 at West. Humphry Stafford, Rob. More.
 8 at West. Humphry Stafford, John Fitz Waryn.
 8 at West. Ric. Redmayne, John de Langton.

HENRY VI.

- 1 P. at West. Will. de Evere, Giles Hastings.
 2 at West. Tho. Rokeby, Will. Tempest.
 3 at West. Rob. Hilton, Ric. Hastings.
 4 at Leic. Humphry Stafford, Kr. Will. Carent.
 5 at West. Rob. Hilton, Edw. Hastings.
 8 at West. Ralph Bush, Esq; John Newburgh, jun.
 13 at West. Will. Gascoigne, *Chlr.* Rob. Waterton, *Chlr.*
 13 at West. Rob. Tourges, Esq; Tho. Hufec, Esq;
 15 at Camb. John Latimer, John Filliol.
 20 at West. Will. Eure, *Chlr.* Tho. Sayvill, *Chlr.*
 27 at West. Humphry Stafford, Esq; John Newburgh.
 28 at West. John Filliol, Tho. Martin.
 29 at West. John Filliol, Will. Brouning.
 31 at Reading, John Carent, Nic. Latymer.
 33 at West. John Filliol, Esq; Will. Brouning, Esq;

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38 P. at West. Will. Stourton de Rushton, Kt. John
Newburgh de East Lulworth, Esq;

EDWARD IV.

6 P. at West. John Melron, John Sayvill.
12 at West. John Pilkington, Hugh Hastings.
17 at West. Will. Martyn, Will. Twyncho.

N.B. All the Returns for this County,
and its Boroughs, from the 17th of *Edward*
IV, to the 1st Year of *Queen Mary*, are lost.

MARY.

1 P. at West. John Horsey, Kt. Giles Strangways, Kt.
1 at Oxford, Giles Strangways, Kt. John Lewston;

PHILIP & MARY.

1 & 2 P. at West. Hen. Aysheley, Kt. Ric. Phelipps, Esq;
2 & 3 at West. Giles Strangways, Kt. John Rogers, Kt.
4 & 5 at West. Giles Strangways, Oliver Laurence, Kts.

ELIZABETH.

1 P. at West. Giles Strangways, Kt. John Rogers, Kt.
5 at West. Hen. Ashley, Kt. Tho. Howard, Kt.
13 at West. Will. Paulet, Kt. John Horsey, Esq;
14 at West. Ric. Rogers, Esq; John Strode, Esq;
27 at West. Geo. Trenchard, Esq; John Fitz-James, Esq;
28 at West. Ralph Horsey of Clifton, Esq; Andrew
Rogers of Brianston, Esq;
31 at West. John Wooley, Esq; Andrew Rogers, Esq;
35 at West. Arthur Gorge, Esq; Tho. Husley, Esq;
39 at West. Walter Rawleigh, Kt. Ralph Horsey, Kt.
43 at West. Edm. Uvedall, Kt. Geo. Trenchard, Esq;

JAMES I.

1 P. at West. Tho. Freake, Kt. John Williams, Esq;
12 at West.
18 at West. John Strangeways, Kt. Tho. Trenchard, Kt.

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21 P. at West John Strangeways, Kt. Geo. Horsey, Kt.

CHARLES I.

1 P. at West. Walter Erle, Kt. Nathan. Napier, Kt.

1 at West. Geo. Moreton, Bart. Tho. Freke, Kt.

3 at West. John Strangeways, Kt. Walter Erle, Kt.

15 at West. Ric. Rogers, Esq; George Lord Digby.

16 at West. Ric. Rogers, Esq; John Browne, Esq;

Tho. Trenchard, Kt.

CHARLES II.

12 P. at West. John Fitz James, Esq; Rob. Coker, Esq;

* In his 13 at West. * Giles Strangeways, Esq; John Strode, Esq;

Place, de- 31 at West. Tho. Strangeways, Esq; Tho. Freke, Esq;

ceas'd, 31 at West. Tho. Strangeways, Esq; Tho. Freke, Esq;

John Lord 32 at Oxf. Tho. Freke, Esq; Tho. Strangeways, Esq;
Digby.

JAMES II.

1 P. at West. Tho. Strangeways, Esq; Tho. Freke, Esq;

WILLIAM & MARY.

1 P. at West. Tho. Strangeways, Esq; Tho. Freke, Esq;

2 at West. Tho. Strangeways, Esq; Tho. Freke, Esq;

WILLIAM III.

7 P. at West. Tho. Strangeways, Esq; Tho. Freke, Esq;

10 at West. Tho. Strangeways, Esq; Tho. Freke, Esq;

12 at West. Tho. Strangeways, Esq; Tho. Freke, Esq;

13 at West. Tho. Strangeways, Tho. Trenchard, Esq;

ANNE.

1 P. at West. Tho. Strangeways, Esq; Tho. Chaffin, Esq;

‡ In his 4 at West. Tho. Strangeways, Esq; Tho. Chaffin, Esq;

Place, de- 7 at West. Tho. Strangeways, Esq; Tho. Chaffin, Esq;

ceas'd, 9 at West. Tho. Strangeways, Esq; ‡ Tho. Chaffin, Esq;

Ric. Bing- 12 at West. Tho. Strangeways, jun. Esq; Geo. Chaf-
ham, Esq; an, Esq;

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WE S its Original to the Decay of *Wareham*, as the famous *Leland* conjectures, who gives this Account of it. " Pole is no

Leland's
Itin. Vol. 3.
p. 57.

" Town of ancient occupying
" in Merchandize, but rather
" of old Time a poor Fisher-Village, and an
" Hamlet, or Member to the Parish-Church;
" within the Memory of Man encreas'd with
" fair Buildings and Use of Merchandize. It
" standeth almost as an Isle to the Haven,
" and hangeth by North East to the main
" Land, by the Space almost of a sleight
" Shot; and in this Place is a Dike, and to
" it often cometh through the Haven Wa-
" ter; and here is an embatell'd Gate of
" Stone to enter into the Town, the Length
" of the Town lying almost full by North
" and South. The Key for Ships standeth
" South-East. There is a fair Town-House
" of Stone by the Key. K. Ric. III begun

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“ a Piece of the Town-Wall at one End of
 “ the Key, and promis’d large Things to the
 “ Town. I can gather no otherwise, but
 “ whereas of old Times Ships came some-
 “ what nearer *Wareham*, up the Haven, and
 “ there had Vent of their Wares; and since
 “ they lost their Road for lack of Depth of
 “ Water, Ships kept and sort’d nearer to
 “ *Pool-Town*, and so it by little and little
 “ encreas’d, and *Wareham* fell clean to Ru-
 “ ins; there be Men alive, that saw almost
 “ all the Town of *Pool* cover’d with Seggs and
 “ Rushes. There is a fair Church in *Pool*.”

To which Description I can add little, but that the embattel’d Gate was demolish’d in King *Charles II*’s Time, and that the Town is of late much encreas’d, it now containing a dozen Streets and Lanes about 300 Houses and 3000 Souls; tho’ the Buildings are ordinary, except 7 or 8 Houses in the high Street, in which *Samuel Weston*, Esq; has built lately a very neat regular House, at great Expence, which is seen above all the rest of the Buildings, they being very low, as is the Tower of the Church, dedicated to *St. James*, which consists of a Nave and two Isles; ’tis a large Structure, tho’ dark, and kept in poor Repair; the Wings are bigger than the Body, and yet not equal to each other; the North seems to be of the newest Erection. It was for the most part built about two hundred Years ago, as I imagine from some

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Wills, prov’d in *Doctors-Commons*, *London*; for *Anno* 1509, *John Bedford*, who will’d to be bury’d in the Cemiteriy of *St. James’s Church*

in Pool, gave 10 l. thereto; and Anno 1517, April 27, William Mesurer, of the Town of Pool, in the County of Dorset, appointed his Body to be bury'd in our Lady Isle, in the Parish Church of St. James's at Pool, if he dy'd there, and bequeath'd to the making the new Rood-loft, and Tower of the aforesaid Church, all such Money as rested unpaid at the Hour of his Death, of the 20 l. he promis'd to the edifying this Fabrick; which, by the Lowness of the Tower, seems not to have been finish'd. In it hangs only one pretty great Bell, besides the Saints-Bell, tho' here were formerly four others, which, the Inhabitants say, were cast away, as they were carrying them over to *Holland*, about a League out at Sea. The Corporation are Patrons of the Living, which is a Royal Peculiar: It antiently parish'd to *Canford*, a Village about three or four Miles off, (near *Winbourne*) to whose Lords Pool hath from the Beginning belong'd, and was (if we may suppose it then a Place) comprehended in that Manor, temp. *Will. I.*, as Dr. *Brady* informs us, who, speaking of *Brady of Pool*, says, It is not to be found in *Dooms-day-Book*, it then being an Hamlet to *Canford*, *Brady of Boroughs*, p. 81. which was, at the Time of the Survey, the King's Demesne, and held of him by *Edward of Salisbury*, *Edwardus de Sarisberie tenet de Rege Ceneford*. The next Proprietor of this Manor, as I find, was *Robert Fitz Pain*, who dy'd, 9 *Edw. I.*, then seiz'd of the Manor of Pool, as was his Grandson *Robert Fitz Pain*, and Ela his Wife; after whose Decease, *William Montacute*, or *Mountague*, Earl of *Salisbury*,

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Rot. Pat.
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lisbury, Anno 10 *Edw. III.*, obtain'd a Grant of the Manor of *Pool*; to whom succeeded, Anno 17 *Edw. III.*, *William* his Son, who departing this Life, 20 *Ric. II.*, the Manor of *Canford*, and Borough of *Pool*, came to his Nephew and Heir, *Sir John Montacute*; whose Successor in this Honour, *Tho. de Montacute*, dying without Issue-Male, I presume, *Pool* came to the Crown. The Fee-Farm-Rents of it being granted May 25, 17 *Hen. VI.*, to *Henry Beaufort*, Bishop of *Winchester*; as they were afterwards, by *Hen. VIII.*, to his Natural Son, *Henry Duke of Richmond and Somerset*; and by *Edw. VI.*, by Patent, dated July 23, Anno Regni 1, to his Uncle, *Edward Seymour*, Duke of *Somerset*; after whose Attainder, I find the Manor of *Canford*, with the Lordship and Manor of *Pool*, with the Customs and Prilage of Wine, there part of the Demeasne-Lands of the Crown: In which, Anno 3 *Cha. I.*, A. D. 1627, they continu'd, it being return'd in an Inquisition, *Quod Dominus Rex est Dominus Manerii de Canford, &c.* To which Manor *Pool* remains still annex'd; the Royalty of this Borough being at present vested in *Sir John Webb*, who lives at *Canford*, by Gift of King *Charles the II.*, to him or his Father; and in his Name are the Courts kept, both at *Pool* and *Canford*.

As to the Election of Members of Parliament for *Pool*, it is in the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgessees, whose Number is of late augmented to ninety four, tho', not long since, here were not half so many; and the Indenture

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ture is executed by the Sheriff of Pool, Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesſes. The Number of Aldermen is now nine; but always uncertain, becauſe every Mayor (who is always choſen out of the Burgeſſes) when his Year is expir'd, commences Alderman, and is then alſo ſenior Bailiff, and Juſtice of the Peace for the Year enſuing. The Election of Mayor is always the *Friday before St. Matthew*. The Choice of Burgeſſes muſt be made by the Mayor, four Aldermen, and eighteen Burgeſſes; for, without that Number, no Man can be made Free, by the Charter now in Force, which is, as I take it, that of Queen *Elizabeth's* Conceſſion, who, by Letters Patent, dated 23 *June*, in the 10th Year of her Reign, taking Notice, that Pool had been incorporated by antient Kings of this Land, ratifies and confirms their Privileges; and by the ſame Letters Patent, incorporates them a-new, and grants as followeth, viz. That the Town of Pool ſhall be and remain ever hereafter a free Town of it ſelf, conſiſting of one Mayor, two Bailiffs, Burgeſſes, and Commonality for ever hereafter; and that they, and their Succeſſors, ſhall be a Body Politique, and have Power to Sue and be Sued, and capable to purchaſe Lands; and that the Mayor ſhall be Eſchaetor of the Town and Suburbs, and Clark of the Market. She alſo, by the ſame Letters Patents, ſever'd it from the County of Dorſet, and made it a County of it ſelf, and to have a Sheriff, and to keep a Court, and hold all Pleas, with divers Immunities; ſeveral of which it exerciſes, as trying of Malefactors within its own Jurisdiction, which the Corporation
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does by procuring a Commission from the Crown, to save the Expences of treating the Judges; for when they have any Criminals to try, the Judges should come hither, in their Circuit, from Salisbury, and go from hence to Dorchester.

When this was made a Borough, I may happily guess from the Title of an Inquisition, Anno 15 Edw. III, which I have only read, and is as follows, *Eschaet. Anno 15 Edw. III. n. 66. Inquisitio quod Pole sit liber Burgus de Portu ibidem, & metis ejusdem, & de nonnullis consuetudinibus ibidem Colligi, a Mercatoribus consuetis illic confluentibus.* In whose Reign, this Place having sent Representatives once to a Council, and twice to Parliament afterwards, intermitted till Henry VI's Reign; to whose Favour it owes great Privileges, as transferring the Port of Melcomb hither, which seems much to have enrich'd it, by encouraging Persons to resort thereto, whereby it soon became a Place of considerable Trade, as we may judge by the Establishment of a Market and Fairs here, in so few Years after, as may be seen by the following Records.

R. Pat. Anno 11 Henry VI, July 8, The King
A. 11 H. 6. considering the Weakness of the Port of Mel-
p. 2. m. 2. combe, and Meanness of its Fortifications, and
the Hazards Merchants run in arriving there,
and that there is great Concourse to the Town of
Pool, grants to the Mayor and Burgesses, for
the better fortifying their Town of Pole, that
from the Feast of St. Hilary, then next ensu-
ing, Melcombe should be no longer accounted

a Port, but a Creke; and that Pole should be a Port, so that all Merchants may load and unload all manner of Wares; and that the Mayor of Pole, for the Time being, may take Cognizance of the Staple, and enjoy the same Franchises as the Mayor of Southampton enjoyeth.

Anno 27 Henry VI, July 1, The King grants to the Mayor, Bailiffs, Burgesses, and Inhabitants of the Town of Pool, and their Successors, a Thursday-Market every Week at the Town of Pool; and two Fairs annually, to last sixteen Days, one on the Feast of St. Philip and Jacob, and for seven Days following; and the other on All-Souls Day, and for seven Days after: Which former Charter, I find confirm'd, Jan. 20, Anno 1 Edw. IV, who receiving, by *Inspecimus*, King Hen. VI's Letters Patent of translating the Privileges of the Port of Melcombe hither, ratifies the same.

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Rot. Pat.
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p. 3. m. 23.
n. 189.

What the Editors of Camden remark, who tell us, that notwithstanding what Camden observes of Pool's arising, in the last Age, out of a few Fisher-mens Houses, it seems to be a Town of good Note and Antiquity, tho' no mention be made of it in Doomsday-Book; for it appears in Records, That, Anno 2 Edw. II, the Burgesses of Pool (Thomas Plantagenet being then Lord of it, in Right of his Wife) paid to the said Lord the Sum of 8 l. 13 s. (equal to about 80 l. now) for the Farm of their Liberties, is, as I judge, a Mistake; for Pool in Montgomeryshire, now call'd Welsh Pool, which is still a considerable Town and Borough, and was heretofore, with a great Estate, in the Marches of Wales, the Inheritance of

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Brit. in ad-
dit. p. 53.

Town of P O O L.

the *Lacys*, Earls of *Lincoln*, whose Daughter and Heir the said *Thomas Plantagenet* marry'd; for it seems as if here were then no Burgesſes inhabiting this Town of *Pool*, that being probably not created a Borough 'till forty Years after; beſides, the chief Rent paid by this Corporation to Sir *John Webb*, their chief Lord, (which may be ſuppos'd to be the ancient Fee-Farm Rent) is only 6*l.* 11*s.* 7*d.* $\frac{1}{2}$.

E D W A R D III.

- 14 Council at West. John Goodriche, Edw. Triscote.
36 P. at West. Edw. Barnaby, Tho. Shaftbury.
42 at West. Ric. Fichebert, Tho. Plonket.

No Return from the 42d of *Edward III.*, 'till the 31st of *Henry VI.*

H E N R Y VI.

- 31 P. at Reading, Will. Denny.
33 at West. John Skelton, Tho. Boyen.

E D W A R D IV.

- 6 P. at West. Will. Kelsey, Ric. Fayne.
12 at West. Edw. Grantham, Tho. Warriner.
17 at West. Hen. Martin, Will. Joco.

E D W A R D VI.

- 1 P. at West.
6 at West.

M A R Y.

- 1 P. at West. Anth. Dillington, John Scryvyn.
1 at Oxf. Will. Wightman, Ric. Shaw, Gent.

P H I L I P

PHILIP & MARY.

- 1 & 2 P. at West. Anth. Dillington, Andrew Hourde.
 2 & 3 at West. Rob. Whytt, Esq; John Phelips.
 4 & 5 at West. Tho. Phelips, Esq; Tho. Goodwin, Esq;

ELIZABETH.

- 1 P. at West. Walter Haddon, Humphry Mychell.
 5 at West. Humphry Mitchell, Gent. Will. Green, Gent
 13 at West. Geo. Carlton, Esq; Will. Newnham, Esq;
 14 at West. Will. Green, Mayor, John Hastings, Esq;
 27 at West. Francis Mills, Esq; Tho. Vincent, Esq;
 28 at West. Will. Fleetwood, jun. Francis Mills, Esqs;
 31 at West. Hen. Ashley, Esq; Edward Man, Merchant
 of Pool.
 35 at West. James Orrenge, Esq; Edw. Man, Merchant.
 39 at West.
 43 at West. Rob. Miller, Esq; Tho. Billett, Gent,

JAMES I.

- 1 P. at West. Edw. Man, Gent. Tho. Robarts, Merchant.
 12 at West.
 18 at West. Walter Erle, Kt. George Horsey, Kt.
 21 at West. Walter Erle, Kt. Edw. Pitt, Esq;

CHARLES I.

- 1 P. at West. John Cowper, Kt. & Bart. John Pym, Esq;
 1 at West. Christopher Erle, Esq; John Pym, Esq;
 3 at West. John Cowper, Kt. & Barr. John Pym, Esq;
 15 at West. John Pym, Will. Constantyn, Recorder, Esqs;
 16 at West. John Pym, Esq; Will. Constantyn, Esq; † In his
 George Sent, Esq; Place, Tho.
 Trench-
 ard, Esq;
 in Tho.
 Trench-

CHARLES II.

- 12 P. at West. Walter Earl, Kt. Geo. Cooper, Esq;
 13 at West. John Moreton, Esq; † Will. } Double Re-ard's Place,
 Constantine, Esq; } turn, the Tho.
 John Moreton, Esq; John } last disal-Strange-
 Fitz James, Kt. } low'd. ways, Esq;
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Town of POOL.

- 31 P. at West. Tho. Chaffin, Esq; Hen. Trenchard, Esq;
 31 at West. Hen. Trenchard, Esq; Tho. Chaffin, Esq;
 32 at Oxford, Tho. Chaffin, Esq; Hen. Trenchard, Esq;

JAMES II.

- 1 P. at West. Tho. Chaffin, Esq; Will. Ettrick, Esq;

WILLIAM & MARY.

† In his
Place, de-
ceas'd,
Anth. Ld
Ashley.

- 1 P. at West. Nat. Nappier, Kt. & Bart. Hen. Trenchard, Esq;
 2 at West. Nat. Nappier, Kt. & Bart. † John Trenchard, Kt.

WILLIAM III.

- 7 P. at West. Hon. Anthony Lord Ashley, Nat. Nappier, Kt. & Bart,
 10 at West. Will. Jolliffe, Esq; Will. Phippard, Esq;
 12 at West. Will. Phippard, Kt. Will. Jolliffe, Esq;
 13 at West. Will. Phippard, Kt. Will. Jolliffe, Esq;

¶ In his
Place, ex-
pell'd the
House Will
Lewen, Kt.

ANNE.

- 1 P. at West. Will. Phippard, Kt. Will Jolliffe, Esq;
 4 at West. Will. Phippard, Kt. Sam. Weston, Esq;
 7 at West. Will. Lewen, Esq; Tho. Ridge, Esq;
 9 at West. ¶ Tho. Ridge, Esq; Will. Phippard, Kt.
 12 at West. Will. Lewen, Kt. Geo. Trenchard, Esq;



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OF

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THE Shire-Town of this most pleasant County, famous even in the Time of the *Romans*, who had here their principal Station in these Parts, as appears by the great Number of Coins dugg up here, is delicately situate on an Ascent above the River *Froom*, by which it is bounded on the North side, and opens on the South and West, into most Champion Downs. It consists principally of three spacious Streets, (as may be seen in the Ichnography of it in *Speed's Maps*) which are join'd together about the middle of the Town, at the upper End of the South Street, where stands the *Town-Hall* and *St. Peter's Church*; and in the two other Streets, are the Churches of *All-Saints*, and the *Holy Trinity*, near to which last is the *Shire-Hall*, and below the other, the *County-Goal*.

As to the Buildings and Paving of the Streets, &c. there are few Towns in *England* exceed it in all Respects, it being one of the neatest I have any where seen; and if the
Towers

Stow's
Chron. p.
1003.

Camden's
Brit. p. 53.

Towers of the Churches of the *Holy Trinity* and *All-Saints* were rebuilt, proportionably to that of the old Church, viz. *St. Peter's*, that escap'd the dreadful Fire, (which began *August 6, 1613*, and consum'd both those Churches, and about 300 Houses) scarce any Place would yield a more agreeable Prospect. However, as 'tis, the View of it is every Way delightful, the Tower of *Fordington* Church, which makes, as it were, a Suburb to *Dorchester*, and *St. Peter's*, which is a very handsome Structure, presenting themselves from all Quarters at a great Distance. The Houses, which, I presume, don't exceed 400, for *Anno 29 Hen. VIII*, they were computed only at 349, are, since the Fire, for the most part regularly built with Stone. The Markets and Fairs are well frequented; the Toll whereof, on Payment of a certain Quit-Rent, with the Manor of the Borough, as may be judg'd by antient Charters, is vested in the Corporation, which consists of a *Mayor*, two *Bailiffs*, six *Aldermen*, and six capital *Burgesses*; besides whom, here is a *Governor* and twenty four *Common-Council-men*, whose Office is chiefly to inspect and look after the Trade of the Town, according to the present Charter in Force, granted *Anno 5 Charles I*; tho' it was incorporated long before that Time, or *James the 1st's* Reign, who, by *Letters Patent*, dated *June 26, 1610*, *Anno Reg. 8*. appointed to the Government of the Borough of *Dorchester* two *Bailiffs*, and fifteen *Burgesses*, whom he ordain'd to be call'd the Capital *Burgesses* and *Counsellors* of the said Borough, out of

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of which the Bailiffs were to be chosen. He likewise gave them Power to choose a Recorder, who, by himself, or his sufficient Deputy, should do all Things relating to the Office of a Recorder, &c.

The Right of Election of Members of Parliament, which this Borough has sent from the original Demand of Burgeses, *temp. Edw. I.* is in the Inhabitants paying Scot and Lot, who, at a Poll taken in King *William the 1st*'s Reign, were upwards of three hundred, tho' I think of late here have been some honorary Burgeses allow'd, or Persons admitted to vote, who hold Houses in this Borough, remarkably eminent for having generally sent up to Parliament its Townsmen, or neighbouring Gentlemen, Natives of this County; preferring its true Interest, and neglecting Solicitations, within a few Years introduc'd, and grown into Fashion almost in every Borough: However, uncommon in former Ages, as may be judg'd by the following Petition, transcrib'd from the Original wrote on Parchment; which I shall beg Leave to insert, it being, in my Opinion, a curious President.

*Bohun's
Collection
of Debates
in Parlia-
ment. p.
118.*

*To the honorable Assemblie of the high Cort of
Parliament, the Burgeses of the Boroughe
of Dorchester, in the Countie of Dorset.
sendeth greetinge.*

WEE the Saide Burgeses, doe hereby signify unto you, that (upon Stricknes of the late Proclamation, as wee tooke it, for the electinge

lettinge of reciant Burgesſes) wee made Choice of Mathew Chubbe and John Spicer of our ſaide Towne, to bee Burgesſes of this Parliament. Albeit wee acknowledge, that the ſaide Mathew Chubbe, before, and at the ſaide Election, did both by hym ſelfe and others intreat us that hee might be ſpared therein, offeringe to ſome other to bee choſen five Pounds towards his Charges to ſerve therein; and alleaginge unto us then, the Diſabilitie of his Bodye to endure that Service; and for that it appeered in Eſter Terme laſt, when the ſaide Mathew Chubbe was to do his Service in the ſaide Parliament, that hee coulde not performe it, and endure the ſame, (by Diſabilitie of Bodye) and doubtinge of Diſablenes heereafter to attende the ſame Service, doth, with us the ſaide Burgesſes, beecome heereby humble Petitioners unto you, that he may not ſeem contemptuous by his Abſence: And that it will pleaſe you to diſmiſſe the ſaide Chubbe, and to graunt a Write for the Election of an-other, wherein wee aſſure you heereby, that we will retorne an-other ſufficient Perſone to attende the ſaide Service. For the better Teſtymonie heereof, we have heereunto ſet the comon Seale of the ſaide Borough, the xxiiiith Daie of June 1604.

Having thus in general given an Account of the Town, what I ſhall hereto add, ſhall be from Hiftories and Records, in order to a farther Illuſtration thereof. (To omit what Camden has of the Danes harraffing this Place, and throwing down the Walls, the Circuit of which is yet viſible.)

Camden's
Brit. p.
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In the Reign of King *Athelstan*, an hundred Years before the Conquest, here were ordain'd by that King two Mints; which well agrees with the Survey in *Doomsday-Book*; which, as it somewhat rectifies the Account given by *Camden*, I shall transcribe the Latin one, and refer to the said Author for the English.

*Leland's
Collectanea
Vol. 3. p.
212.*

In *Dorecester* Tempore Regis *Edwardi*, erant *clxxii. Domus*. *He* pro omni Servitio Regis se defendebant, & geldebant pro *x. hid.* scilicet ad Opus *Huscarlium* unam *Markam* argenti, exceptis Consuetudinibus quæ pertinent ad firmam nostris. Ibi erant *ii. monetarii*, quisque eorum reddebat Regi usam *Markam* argenti, & *xx. sol.* quando moneta vertebatur.

*Gale's Hist.
Ang. Script.
Vol. 3. p.
764.*

Modo sunt ibi quatuor *xx* & *viii* domus, & c. penitus destructa a tempore *Hugonis Vicecomitis* usque nunc. That *Dorchester* is in this Survey describ'd under the Title of *Terra Regis*, we are told by the Learn'd *Dr. Brady*, who also informs us, that Anno *11* *Henry IV*, as appears by the Parliament-Roll, it was then the King's Demeasne, tho' in his Son and Successor's Reign, viz. *Henry V.* the Profits of the Borough were, by Letters Patent dated *May 25*, Anno Regni primo, confirm'd to the Buggesses at the Fee-Farm-Rent of *20 l.* as they had been granted in several preceding King's Reigns: To instance in some of which,

*Brady of
Boroughs,
p. 81, 82.*

Anno *1236*, *20* *Henry III*, The Men of *Dorchester* paid *12 l.* for the Fee-Farm of the Town, which is *12 l. 12 s.* and by Inquisition taken, Anno *8* *Edward I*, the Jury presented,

*Madox's
History of
the Exchequer,
p. 195*

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Dorset. A.
8. E. 1. R.
12. Dorf.

Ro. Fin. A.
17. E. 2.
m. 12.

Ro. Cart.
A. 11. E.
3. m. 11.
n. 26.

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11. E. 3. n.
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ted, that the Borough of Dorchester was the King's Borough; and that 'twas yearly worth 15 l. and that in it were the Churches of St. Peter, St. Trinity, and All-Saints; all which were in the Patronage of the Crown, whereof the two former were valu'd at 24 Marks annually, and All-Saints at three Marks.

Anno 17 Edward II, That King granted, March 18, to the Bailiffs, Burgesses, and good Men of the Borough of Dorchester, the Custody of the said Borough for five Years, from Michaelmas then next ensuing, paying yearly 20 l. And his Son and Successor, Edward III, June 26, Anno 1337, on the Petition of the Burgesses of Dorchester, setting forth, That they for several Times have held the Borough of Dorchester, paying 20 l. per Annum, grants them the said Borough for ever, on their paying the said yearly Farm of 20 l. per Annum, pursuant to an Inquisition, taken at Dorchester about two Months before, on the Sunday after the Feast of St. Mark, in the said 11th Year of Edward III, wherein it is set forth, That it cannot be prejudicial to the King, if he grants the said Borough, in Fee-Farm for ever, to the Burgesses, which is worth 16 l. 5 s. which Perquisites arise several Ways, viz. from three Fairs, on the Feasts of the Trinity, St. John Baptist, and St. James, each continuing one Day, worth annually 20 s. a Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday Market every Week, worth annually 57 s. &c.

Concerning Religious Foundations here, I have only met with an House of Grey Friars, said to have been built out of the Ruins

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Ruins of the old Castle, which is reported to have stood on the North Side of the Town, near the River; and an Hospital of *St. John*; in the Chapel of which, *William Mareschal* founded, Anno 17 *Edward II*, a *Ro. Pat.* Chantry, and endow'd it with 100 s. Rent. *A. 17. E.* This, at the Dissolution of Chantries, was *2. p. 2. m.* granted to *John Churchill*, and *William Sam-* *28.* *visb*, their Heirs, &c. by *Edward VI.* March *16. A. 3. E.* 12, Anno Regni 3; who also gave to the Bur- *6. p. 3.* gesses of *Dorchester*, by Patent granted Aug. *16. A. 2.* 1, Anno Regni 2, certain Messuages and *E. 6. p. 2.* Lands, late Parcel of the Possessions of the Chantry of the Blessed *Mary* in *Trinity-Church*, founded (as I guess, by some Records I have seen) by *John Siward*, in the first Year of King *Henry IV*; about which *16. A. 20.* Time, a Grant was obtain'd for founding a *R. 2. p. 1.* Fraternity, dedicated to the Blessed Virgin *m. 29.* *Mary* in *St. Peter's Church*.

In a Charter of the Church of *Salisbury*, recited in the *Monasticon*, I find mention of *Dug. Mon* a Church of *St. George* in *Dorchester*, grant- *Ang. Vol.* ed to that Cathedral, temp. *Henry II*; but, I *3. p. 378.* presume, this might, on Rebuilding, be dedicated otherwise, or demolish'd before *Edward I's* Reign.

At the lower End of the Town is a good School-House, built and endow'd by *Thomas Hardy*, Gent. of *Frampton*; and near it is a very handsome Alms-house, founded by *Sir Robert Napier*, about an hundred Years ago, Ancestor to the present Family of the *Napiers* of this County. Here are also two other Alms-houses, one call'd *Chabb's* Alms-house,

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and the other *Whetstone's*. The Trustees for these Donations are no doubt the Corporation, who hold the Manor of the Borough at the old Fee-Farm-Rent aforesaid, of 20*l.* *per Annum*, which they pay to the Crown.

As to Titles of Honour, I have not seen that this Place gave any 'till King *Charles I's* Reign, when that Prince, by Letters Patent dated *March 25, 1645*, bestow'd the Title of *Marquis of Dorchester* on *Henry Pierrepont*, Earl of *Kingston*; who departing this Life, *Anno 1680*, without Issue-Male, the said Title of Marquis became extinct, tho' that of Earl of *Kingston* surviv'd in his younger Brother *William's* Family; whose Grandson, the Right Honourable *Evelyn Pierrepont*, was, *December 23, Anno 1706*, created Marquis of *Dorchester*, on Account of those Titles having been enjoy'd by his Great Uncle, notwithstanding *Catherine Sedley*, (only Child of Sir *Charles Sedley*, Bart.) who is still surviving, was made Countess of *Dorchester*, by Letters Patent dated *Jan. 2, 1685, 1 Jac. II.* for the Term of her natural Life.

E D W A R D I.

- 23 *P. et West.* Will. Cole, Tho. de Somemore.
- 26 *at York,* Hen. le Clode, John Batyn.
- 28 *at Linc.* Nic. Blakemore, Tho. Crulle.
- 28 *at London,* Will. Cole, Nicolas de Boys.
- 30 *at London,* Walter Sparrow, Hugh Chyke.
- 33 *at West.* Will. le Marefcall, Will. Cole.
- 34 *at West.* Tho. . . . Will. Bryan.
- 35 *at Carlisle,* Roger Pigot, Walter de Warham.

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EDWARD II.

- 1 *P* at Northton. Walter de Minterne, Stephen de
Crekway.
2 at West. Will. Cole, John de Milton.
5 at London, Ric. le Maule, Adam Glyde.
6 at West. John Eustach, Ric. Snow.
7 at West. Will. Cole, Hen. Dyfell.
8 at West. Will. Cole, Nic. Boys.
15 at West. Will. le Marefcall, Bennet Bagenham.
16 at York, Bennet Bagenham, John Herring.
19 at West. Ric. Dite, John Herring.

EDWARD III.

- 1 *P* at York, John le Greet, John Le Neve.
2 at Northton. John le Greet, John Le Neve.
2 at New Sarum, Ric. Tite, Will. Our.
4 at Winch. Ric. Tite, John Herring.
6 at West. Clement Durneford, Tho. atte See.
9 at York, Clement Durneford, Geffry de Bulstrode.
9 at West. Clement Durneford, John Moryn.
10 Council at Nott. Ric. Tite, John Martyn.
11 *P* at West. Ric. Tite, Stephen le Here.
12 at Northton. Stephen Wydcomb, John Constantyn.
12 at West. Clement Durneford, James Hufce.
14 at West. Will. Jurdaine, John Constantyn.
15 at West. Will. Jurdaine, John Muster.
17 at West. John de Excestre, Will. atte Yate.
20 at West. Tho. le Trente, Will. Oure.
21 at West. John de Herring, Will. Eure.
22 at West. Will. Russell, Stephen Hore.
24 at West. Ric. Norway, Rob. le Merchant.
25 at West. Ric. Norway, Rob. le Merchant.
28 at West. Rob. Bredport, Rob. Bemynstre.
29 at West. John de Frompton, Rob. Bemynstre.
29 at West. John de Frompton, Rob. Wratham.
31 at West. Roger Syward, John Pyk.
31 at West. Will. Hammond, John Frompton.
34 at West. Ric. Gerard, John le Young.
34 at West. Ric. Gerard, Will. Leycestre.
36 at West. John Frompton, Richard Gerard.
37 at West. John Frome, Will. Pudele.

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- 42 P. at West. Will. Miche, Ric. Gerard.
 45 Council at Winch. John Champeon.
 46 P. at West. Will. Hammond, Tho. Camwell.
 47 at West. Ric. Dorcestre, Will. Pudele.
 50 at West. *The Return lost.*

RICHARD II.

- 1 P. at West. Ric. Dorcestre, Will. Maggard.
 2 at Glouc. John Dedele, John atte Welle.
 3 at New Sarum, Ric. Tite, Will. Our.
 6 at West. Ric. Blount, Tho. Lamer.
 7 at West. Peter Blount, Ric. Dorchester.
 7 at New Sarum, Peter Blount, Tho. Lamer.
 8 at West. Rob. Button, Tho. Lamer.
 9 at West. Peter Blount, Hen. Cravell.
 10 at West. Peter Blount, Hen. Cravell.
 31 at West. John Perlee, Tho. Lamer.
 32 at Camb. Tho. Gardiner, Will. Chuse.
 35 at West. Tho. Lamer, John Gould.
 37 at West. Will. Bullhare, Will. atte Asle.
 38 at West. Tho. Hufee, John Blount.
 20 at West. Rob. Veele, John Jurdaine.
 21 at West. Rob. Gatton, John Jurdaine.

HENRY IV.

- 1 P. at West. John Blount, John Wespray.
 3 at West. John Jurdaine, John Bemell.
 5 at West. John Jurdaine, John Blount.
 8 at Glouc. John Jurden, John Skennet.

HENRY V.

- 1 P. at West. Will. Mewton, Walter Tracy.
 2 at West. John Jurdaine, Ric. Berell.
 3 at West. *The Cedula wanting.*
 5 at West. Rob. Veele, John Ford.
 7 at Glouc. Ric. Hide, John Jurdaine.
 8 at West. John Stork, John Ford.
 9 at West. John Ford, Rob. Mose.

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HENRY VI.

- 1 P. at West. Reginald Jacob, John Ford.
- 2 at West. John Ford, John Byshop.
- 3 at West. John Jurdaine, Will. Tayllur.
- 4 at Leic. Hen. Sherrard, Tho. Oliver.
- 6 at West. Rob. Mose, Hen. Sherrard.
- 8 at West. Rob. Hillary, John Byshop.
- 9 at West. Will. Frampton, Will. Pelley.
- 11 at West. John Leweston, John Byshop.
- 13 at West. Philip Leweston, John Byshop.
- 15 at Camb. Will. Kaylweyt, Will. Menton.
- 20 at West. John Faty, John Gerard.
- 25 at Camb. John Sandres, Rob. Ayshe.
- 27 at West. Walter Woothe, John Mille.
- 28 at West. Will. Frompron, Will. Essex.
- 29 at West. Rob. Ashe, John Martyn.
- 31 at Reading, Rob. Bruning, Will. Steynout.
- 33 at West. Rob. Bruning, Will. Okeden.
- 39 at West. Geo. Middleton, John Baron.

EDWARD IV.

- 7 P. at West. *The Return lost.*
- 12 at West. John Rockys, John Keyle.
- 17 at West. Ralph Ayslieton, Ric. atte Feld.

EDWARD VI.

- 1 P. at West.
- 6 at West.

MARY.

- 1 P. at West. Christopher Hele, Will. Holeman.
- 1 at Oxford, Christopher Hele, Owen Heyman.

PHILIP & MARY.

- 1 & 2 P. at West. Christopher Hele, John Davys.
- 2 & 3 at West. Roberton, Ralph Perne.
- 4 & 5 at West. Christ. Hele, John Hayward, Gent.

ELIZABETH

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- 1 P. at West. Will. Holeman, John Leweston.
 5 at West. Tho. Marten, Lewis Mountgomery, Esq;
 13 at West. Hen. Mac Williams, Esq; Will. Adyn, Gent.
 14 at West. Geo. Trenchard, Esq; Geo. Carleton.
 27 at West. Rob. Beale, Esq; Tho. Freke, Gent.
 28 at West. Rob. Beale, Esq; Rob. Nappier, Esq;
 31 at West. Rob. Beale, Esq; Nowell Southerton, Esq;
 35 at West. Fra. James, L. L. D. Rob. Dabridgcourt, Esq;
 39 at West. Rob. Ashley, Ric. Wright.
 43 at West. Fra. Brounker, Esq; Matthew Chubbe, Gent.

JAMES I.

- 1 P. at West. Matthew Chubbe, John Spicer.
 12 at West.
 18 at West. Tho. Edmonds, Kt. *Treasurer of the House-*
hold, John Parkins, *Merchant*.
 21 at West. Will. Whitway, sen. *Merchant*, Ric. Bul-
strode, Merchant.

CHARLES I.

- 1 P. at West. Fra. Ashley, Kt. *Serjeant at Law*, William
 Whitway, sen. *Merchant*.
 1 at West. Ric. Bulstrode, Mich. Humfreys, *Merchants*.
 3 at West. Denzell Hollis, Esq; John Hill, *Merchant*.
 15 at West. Denzell Hollis, Esq; Dennis Bond, Esq;
 16 at West. Denzell Hollis, Esq; Dennis Bond, Esq;

CHARLES II.

- 12 P. at West. Denzell Hollis, Esq; John Whiteway, Esq;
 * In his 13 at West. * Denzell Hollis, Esq; James Gould, Esq;
 Place made 31 at West. Fra. Hollis, Kt. & Barr. Nic. Gould, *Mer-*
chant.
 Lord Hol- 31 at West. Fra. Hollis, Kt. & Barr. Nic. Gould, *Mer-*
 lis, John *chant*.
 Churchill 32 at Oxford, James Gould, Esq; Nath. Bond, Esq;
 Esq;

JAMES

JAMES II.

1 P. at West. Edw. Meller, Esq; Will. Churchill, Esq;

WILLIAM & MARY.

1 P. at West. Tho. Trenchard, Esq; Tho. Chafin, Esq;

2 at West. James Gold, Esq; Tho. Trenchard, Esq;

WILLIAM III.

7 P. at West. Nat. Bond, *Serjeant at Law*, Nat. Napier, Esq;

10 at West. Rob. Napier, Kt. & Bart. Nat. Napier, Esq;

12 at West. Nat. Napier, Esq; Tho. Trenchard, Esq;

13 at West. Tho. Trenchard, Esq; Nat. Napier, Esq;

|| In his
Place, chose
for Co.
Dorset,
Nat. Na-
pier, Bart.

ANNE.

1 P. at West. Nat. Napier, Bart. Nat. Napier, Esq;

4 at West. Nat. Napier, Esq; Awnsham Churchill, Esq;

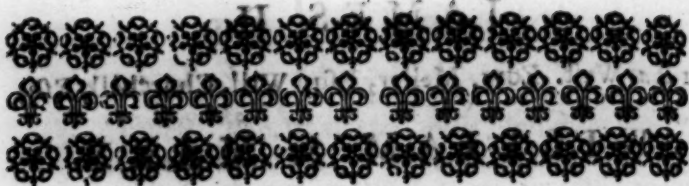
7 at West. † John Churchill, Esq; Awnsham Churchill, Esq;

9 at West. Nat. Napier, Bart. Benj. Gifford, Esq;

12 at West. Nat. Napier, Bart. Hen. Trenchard, Esq;

† In his
Place, de-
cess'd,
Dennis
Bond, Esq;





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E E M S, at the Conquest,
 to have been part of the
 Demeasne-Lands of the Con-
 vent of *Sberborne*; to which
 Monastery, Anno 1145, in
 the 11th Year of King Stephen,
 Pope *Eugenius* confirm'd the Church of *Lyme*,
Ireland's Itin. Vol. 9. cum piscariis & aliis appenditiis ibidem (this is
 p. 159, 160. dated *Non. Feb. Anno Pontificat. 1.*) In which
 Abby, this Manor, in all likelihood, conti-
 nu'd 'till about the 12th of *Edward I*; for,
 in the 8th Year of that King's Reign, the
 Jury certify'd the *Abbat* of *Schireburn*'s Claim
 of *Assize of Bread and Beer* at *Lym*. At
 which Time, *Elias de Rabayne* (I suppose the
 Abbat's Steward or Lessee-Tenant) was sum-
 mon'd to answer by what Authority he
 held a Market in the Ville of *Lyme*; which,
 upon coming into the Royal Possession, as
Melcombe did about this Time, was made a
 free Borough, as appears by the following
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Pacita
Jur. &
Assis. & de
quo War-
rant. in Co.
Dorset, A.
8. E. 1. R.
13. Dorf.

Charter, Rex Omnibus, &c. Sciatis quod Volu-
mus & Concessimus, &c. quod Villa nostra de
Lime in Comitatu Dorset, de cetero liber Bur-
gus sit & quod Homines ejusdem Villa sint liberi
Burgenses. Ita quod Gildam habeant Mercato-
riam, cum omnibus ad hujusmodi Gildam spectan-
tibus in Burgo predicto, & alias Libertates, &
Liberas Consuetudines per totam Angliam &
Potestatem nostram, quas Burgensibus nostris de
Melecumbe per Cartam nostram nuper Concessi-
mus, & quibus Cives nostri London, per Cartas
Progenitorum nostrorum quondam Regum Anglia,
de Rebus & Mercandis, ejus rationabiliter uti
sunt hucusque sine Occasione vel Impedimento Ju-
sticiariorum, &c. in perpetuum percipientes, &c.
ne quis ipsos in Personis aut Rebus suis contra
Libertates liberas Consuetudines predictas gravet,
&c. Teste, &c. apud Aberconwey in Swandon,
Die Martii 27.

Ro. Pat. A.
12. E. 1.

Bur-m. 14.

Ro. Pat. A.
12. E. 1.

Ro. Pat. A.
12. E. 1.

Ro. Pat. A.
12. E. 1.

Ro. Pat. A.
12. E. 1.

In respect to which Grant, that Prince,
Anno Regni 16, issu'd out a Writ to John de
Mettingham, his Justice itinerant, wherein he
willed him to appoint some discreet Knight to
bear and determine Causes within this Town,
according to the Charter he had granted to the
Burgesses of his beloved Consort Elianor of
Lyme, that they should not be impleaded out of
the said Town; which, with other Privileges,
I find in great part confirm'd in several suc-
ceeding Reigns, as appears by Inspeimus of
Charters, Anno 13 Edw. II, Jan. 1; and 4
Edw. III, March 20; and 1 Henry IV, June
10; which being in Substance the same as
the first, need not be repeated: And what
I shall further observe from Records is,

Placita
Jur. &
Ass. ap.
Shireburne
Co. Dorset.
A. 16. E.
1. Ro. 20.
Dors.

Ro. Pat. A.
1. H. 4. p.
8. m. 20.
Ro. Carr.
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n. 72.

Ib. A. 5. E. 3. m. 29. n. 76. that Anno 4 Edward III, February 26, that King granted to the Burgeses of Lyne the Town in Fee-Farm, on their paying annually into the Exchequer 32 Marks; from which they pray'd a Discharge, at the same Time as Mel-

Ro. Pat. A. 1. H. 4. p. 8. m. 20. Ib. A. 1. H. 5. p. 4. m. 12. combe did, temp. Henry IV and V, setting forth their being impoverish'd by many Assaults of the Enemy, who had burnt and destroy'd their Town. In consideration whereof, they procur'd a Release of all Arrears, and had their Fee-Farm abated and reduc'd from 2 l. 6 s. 8 d. to 5 l. as may be more particularly seen in Melcombe, and in the same References to our Records, printed in Cotton's Abridgement, p. 468, 475. 11 Henry IV, and 1 Henry V: And in Edward IV's Reign, they requested a farther Abatement, on preferring a Petition, that their Town was greatly decay'd, and its Port much prejudic'd by the Tempestuousness of the Sea; to which the King inclining, granted to these Burgeses, and their Successors, the said Town in Fee-Farm for sixty five Years, paying only five Marks, i. e. 3 l. 6 s. 8 d. at which Rent, I presume, the Corporation now hold the Manor of the Town. The Royalty of it being at this Day vested in them, as it was in the Townsmen before their present Charter of Incorporation; which, as I conjecture, was by King James or King Charles I.

This said Corporation consists of a Mayor and sixteen capital Burgeses; two of which, with the Mayor, are Justices.

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and Free-men, all Inhabitants; whose Number probably may be upwards of two hundred.

As to a Description of this Town, it contains, as I guess, (for I have not succeeded in my Enquiries of it) about three hundred Houses, which lie in Declivio, viz. one above another, and make a pretty good Shew on the Western Road, from whence I had a Prospect of them. The Parish Church seems indifferent large, tho' no very neat Building; the Tower being low, with a ridg'd Roof, rising a little Pyramidical. 'Tis dedicated to St. Michael the Archangel, to whom was consecrated an Altar, as was one of its ^{Prober of Wills:} Chapels; or Side-Isles, to St. Mary.

Leland speaking of this Town, says, Lime ^{Leland's} is a praty Market Town, set in the Rootes of ^{Lin. Vol. 2.} a high rocky Hille down to the hard Shore; and ^{p. 48.} that it hath good Shippes, and useth Fishing and Marchauntice; and that Merchantes of Morleys of Britaine did much bannit this Town.

He also informs us, that One Borough, a Marchaunt-Man in Time of Mind, buildid a fair House in Lime, having a goodly Tower at the Entry of it; and that ther is but one Paroch-Chirch in Lime, and no Haven ther; as indeed there is not any coming directly to the Town, for the Place where the Merchants lade and unlade their Goods, lies a Quarter of a Mile from it. It is call'd the Cobb, and requires great Cost to maintain it; for which Purpose an Act of Parliament ^{Keeble's Statutes, p. 913.} was made, Anno 27 Elizabeth, which was renew'd

renew'd again in the thirty fifth Year of her Reign, and enacted to continue in Force for and during the Space of ten Years next ensuing; which commenc'd about K. James the Ist's Reign; when I think it was again reviv'd, and farther Provision made for the Repair of this Pierre, or Cobb, memorable, in King James the IId's Time, for being the Landing-Place of the Duke of Monmouth, June 11, 1685; who endeavouring to possess himself of the *English* Throne, was soon defeated, and beheaded. And from hence it was in the great Rebellion, that his sacred Majesty King Charles the IId design'd to transport himself into France, after the fatal Battel at Worcester; and for that End came on Purpose to Charmouth, a Village about a Mile off, as may be seen in the Lord Clarendon's History of the Rebellion, who relates several remarkable Passages of this King's narrow Escape in these Parts.

Clarendon's
Hist. of
Rebellion,
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EDWARD I.

- 23 P. at West. Will: de Tuluse, Geffry le Ker.
33 at West. Nullum Responsum.
34 at West. Nullum Responsum.
35 at Carlisle, Pro duobus Burgensibus eligendis de Burgo de Lyme, Vicecomes retornavit breve Regis Ballivis ejusdem Villa qui habent retorna brevium at nullum fecerunt Executionem.

EDWARD II.

- 5 P. at West. Will. atte Gate,
7 at West. Will. atte Yate, Rob. Pope.

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- 12 P. at York, Edw. Robe, Rob. le Mercer.
- 12 at York, Adam Robe, Geffry Arthur.
- 15 at York, John Crotery,
- 16 at West. Adam Vode, Will. Smith.
- 19 at West. Will. de Pett, Will. atte Yate.

EDWARD III.

- 4 P. at West. Will. de Pymore, Ric. de Mayne.
- 6 at West. Adam le Mercer, Will. atte Yate.
- 9 at York, Will. de Sutton, John de Hungerford.
- 10 Council at Nott. John de Sutton, Rob. Chartrois.
- 11 P. at West. John Sutton, John Kemp.
- 11 Council at West. Ric. le Lange, John de Sutton, Rob. Bolymer.
- 12 P. at Northton. John Sutton, John le Goldsmith.
- 12 at West. John Sutton, John Husee.
- 13 at West. John de Sutton, Will. Barre.
- 14 at West. John Kemp, John de Sutton.
- 15 at West. Michael Lynch, Will. de Donne.
- 17 at West. John de Excestre, Will. atte Yate.
- 21 at West. Rob. Bridport, John Sutton.
- 22 at West. John Sutton, Rob. Bridport.
- 24 at West. Rob. Bridport, Rob. Beyminstre.
- 28 at West. John de Kemp, Rob. Beyminstre.
- 31 at West. John Gaunt, Rob. Beyminstre.
- 32 at West. John le Gaunt, Rob. de Beyminstre.
- 34 at West. Tho. Dorset, John Gaunt.
- 34 at West. Tho. Dorset, Rob. Beyminstre.
- 36 at West. Tho. Dorset, Rob. Beyminstre.
- 37 at West. Rob. Beyminstre, Tho. Dorset.
- 43 at West. Tho. Dorset, John Bakere.
- 45 Gaunceil at Winch. Rob. Ofont.

RICHARD II.

- 1 P. at West. Adam Lidemere, Walter Tropenell.
- 2 at West. Tho. Dorset, Walter Tropenell.
- 3 at West. Tho. Dorset, Ric. Tinham.
- 6 at West. Tho. Dorset, Ric. Tinham.
- 7 at West. Tho. Dorset, Ric. Tinham.
- 7 at New Sarum, Ric. Tinham, Tho. Dorset.
- 8 at West. Ric. Tinham, Tho. Dorset.

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- 9 P. at West. Ric. Tinham, Rob. Tropnell.
 10 at West. Walter Tropnell, Rob. Membury.
 11 at West. Walter Tropnell, Rob. Membury.
 12 at West. Walter Tropnell, John Dorset.
 13 at West. Walter Tropnell, John Dorset.
 15 at West. John Dorset, Walter Tropnell.
 16 at Winch. Rob. Merrybury, Roger Cragg.
 17 at West. Rob. Membury, John Stikelane.
 18 at West. John Dorset, John Wade.
 20 at West. Tho. Bath, Hugh Samford.
 21 at West. Ralph Stikelane, Hugh Croner.

HENRY IV.

- 1 P. at West. Ralph Stikelane, Roger Crogg.
 3 at West. Ralph Stikelane, Roger Crogg.
 8 at Glouc. Peter Richman, John Baker.

HENRY V.

- 1 P. at West. Roger Crogg, Tho. Walsingham.
 2 at West. Roger Crogg, John Tinham.
 3 at West. *The Cedula wanting.*
 5 at West. Tho. Est, Will. Taverner.
 7 at Glouc. Roger Crogg, Rob. Stikelane.
 8 at West. Edw. Culliford, John Richman.
 9 at West. Tho. Richman, Ric. Parkere.

HENRY VI.

- 1 P. at West. Rob. Hafwell, John Norreys.
 2 at West. Will. Warre, Tho. Sticklane.
 3 at West. John Bettefcomb, Rob. Hafellwell.
 4 at Leic. Tho. Dorsett, John Sherp.
 6 at West. John Bysshop, John Frampton.
 8 at West. John Welveton, Hugh Parker.
 9 at West. Will. Balsam, John Bysshop.
 11 at West. Hen. Capland, John Stickland.
 13 at West. Will. Moyle, John Leweston.
 15 at Camb. Will. Boef, John Sykelave.
 20 at West. Hen. Sellwood, John Petwardyne.
 25 at West. Rob. Bruning, Tho. Bury.
 27 at West. Andrew Kibell, Will. Veysey.
 28 at West. Tho. Umfrey, John Mountgomery.

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- 29 *P.* at West. Tho. Barton, Tho. Umfrey.
31 at Reading, Tho. Hardyll, John Kyghley.
33 at West. John Wyke, Tho. Winslow.
39 at West. John Spenser, John de Forde.

EDWARD IV.

- 7 *P.* at West. Stephen Preston, Christopher Coke.
12 at West. John Wyke, Stephen Preston.
17 at West. Tho. Tremayle, John Burgh.

EDWARD VI.

- 1 *P.* at West.
6 at West.

MARY

- 1 *P.* at West. Tho. Goodwyn, Gent. John Mallock,
Gent.
1 at Oxford, Tho. Goodry, John Malloke.

PHILIP & MARY.

- 1 & 2 *P.* at West. Tho. Godwyn, John Malloke.
2 & 3 at West. John Strowbridge, Jasper Points.
4 & 5 at West. John Forster, John Popham, Esq;

ELIZABETH

- 1 *P.* at West. Nic. Throckmorton, Kt. John Malloke, Kt.
5 at West. Fra. Walsingham, Esq; Will. Butler, Gent.
13 at West. John Ashley, Esq; Will. Ellisdone, Esq;
14 at West. John Ashley, Esq; Geo. Ellisdone, Esq;
27 at West. Edw. Drew, Esq; John Hassard, *Merchant*.
28 at West. Tho. Hughs, Esq; John Hassard, *Merchant*.
31 at West. Hampden Pauler, Esq; Rob. Hassard, Esq;
35 at West. Zachary Bethell, Gent. Rob. Hassard, Esq;
39 at West. Rich. Tichborne, Christopher Elveston.
43 at West. John Fitz James, Esq; Nic. Throckmor-
ton, Esq;

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JAMES

JAMES I.

** In their 1 P. at West. * Geo. Somers, Kt. * John Hassarde, sen.
Places, de- Gent.
cent's d, 12 at West.
 Francis 18 at West. John Paulet, Esq; Rob. Hassard, Gent,
 Russell, Kt. 21 at West. John Drake, Kt. Will. Wynn, Esq;
 Geo. Jeff-
 frys.

CHARLES I.

1 P. at West. John Drake, Esq; Tho. Parramore, Gent.
 1 at West. Walter Earle, Kt. Tho. Parramore, Gent.
 3 at West. Christopher Earle, Kt. Tho. Parramore,
 Esq;
 15 at West. Walter Earle, Kt. Edm. Prideaux, Esq;
 Ric. Rose, Gent.
 16 at West. Edm. Prideaux, Esq; Ric. Rose, Esq;

CHARLES II.

12 P. at West. Walter Young, Esq; Tho. Moor, Esq;
 13 at West. John Shaw, Kt. Hen. Henley, Esq;
 31 at West. Geo. Strode, Kt. *one of his Majesty's Ser-*
jeants at Law, Hen. Henley, Esq;
 31 at West. Tho. Moor, Esq; Hen. Henley, Esq;
 32 at Oxford, Hen. Henley, Esq; Tho. Moor, Esq;

JAMES II.

1 P. at West. John Pole, Esq; Winston Churchill, Kt.

WILLIAM & MARY.

1 P. at West. John Pole, Esq; John Burrridge, Esq;
 2 at West. Hen. Henly, Esq; John Burrridge, Esq;

WILLIAM III.

7 P. at West. Hen. Henley, jun. Esq; Rob. Henley, Esq;
 10 at West. Hen. Henley, Esq; Rob. Henley, Esq;
 12 at West. Rob. Henley, Esq; Jos. Paice, *Merchant.*
 13 at West. John Burrridge, Esq; Jos. Paice, *Merchant.*

A N N E.

ANNE.

- 1 P. at West. Hen. Henly, Esq; John Burr ridge, Esq;
 4 at West. Tho. Freke, Esq; John Burr ridge, Esq;
 7 at West. Tho. Freke, Esq; John Burr ridge, Esq;
 9 at West. Hen. Henly, Esq; John Burr ridge, jun. Esq;
 12 at West. Hen. Henly, Esq; John Burr ridge, jun. Esq;





BOROUGH

OF

W E T M O U T H



TAKES its Name from its lying on the Mouth of the small River *Wey*, which River rising about four Miles off, at *Uphill*, on the side of a great Hill, falls here into the Sea, and divides this Place from *Melcomb Regis*, another Town opposite to it, which was by Act of Parliament made *Anno 13 Eliz.* and confirm'd *Anno 1617*, by King *James I.* united to *Weymouth*.

Both these Towns make one Corporation and Borough, and send four Representatives to Parliament. The Electors are the Freeholders; every Man, whether Inhabitant, or not, having a Freehold, tho' of the most inconsiderable Value, enjoying a Right to vote. Their Number, not long since, was under two hundred; but within these twelve Years, by some late Practices, are encreas'd to six hundred and forty eight, or upwards. The Custom of voting, is thus, every Elector has Privilege, as in *London*, of polling for four Persons,

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Persons; who, when they are chosen, are return'd in two Indentures: The two first, according to the Number of Votes, or their Quality, under the Title of Burgessees of *Weymouth*, and the two others under that of *Melcombe*. The Returning Officer is the Mayor, who may be nominated out of any part of the Borough of *Weymouth*, and *Melcombe*, as may the rest of the Members of the Corporation, which consists of a Mayor, Recorder, two Bailiffs, an uncertain Number of Aldermen, and twenty four Capital Burgessees. The Number of Aldermen is uncertain, because whosoever has been once Mayor, is ever after an Alderman.

That both these Places have risen from small Beginnings, several Authors remark; and the Parish Churches being a Mile off from each of them, as *Leland* observes in *Melcombe*, is a manifest Token, that they are no very old Towns. He also informs us, That the Trajeſus, or Passage, from one to the other, was by a Boat, and a Rope bent over the Haven; so, that in the Ferry, they us'd no Oars; and, that *Melcombe* was priviledg'd, in his Time, for a Mayor; and that the Market was kept there; neither of which *Weymouth* had, tho' it was bigger than *Melcombe*. *Leland's I-tin. Vol. 3. p. 53.*

However, it is since decreas'd, and *Melcombe*, by reason of its Situation, is become considerably most populous, tho' there are yet compriz'd, on *Weymouth* side, two hundred and sixty six Houses; and but two hundred and ninety seven in *Melcombe*; which latter, by reason of its standing on a Flat, hath a good *Ibidem, p. 97.*

good Market-place, and Yards for Wares, and comprizes several broad Streets, tho' of no great Length: Whereas *Weymouth* being situate shelving on the side of the Hill, along the River, contains only one irregular Street of mean Building, and has neither Chapel, or Town-Hall, of its own; both which Conveniences lying on *Melcombe* side, the Members of the Corporation, inhabiting *Weymouth*, attend there, on publick Business, and to hear divine Service; or repair, on that last Account, to their Mother-Church, dedicated to *All Saints*, at *Wyke Regis*, (a noted Land and Sea Mark,) where they bury their Dead, &c. Tho' they had, in the Memory of Man, a Chapel of their own, which stood on the East of the Town, on a Hill, overlooking the whole Town and Haven, and was ascended to by sixty Steps, or more; which, being thus situated, occasion'd the Rebels, in the great Rebellion, begun *Anno 1641*, to get Possession thereof, and convert it into a Fort, to fire on *Melcombe Regis*; by which Means, having soon subdu'd that Place, they sacrilegiously demolish'd the said Chappel, and sold the Materials, as the ancient Inhabitants Report; who, retaining no Tradition of the Dedication, it may not be improper to insert here, that it was consecrated to *St. Nicholas*, (the common tutelar Saint of Maritime Churches) as appears from the following Patent, made *May 5, 1442. 20 Hen. VI.* when that King granted a Licence to *Adam Moleyns, Dean of Salisbury, and others, Prisoners of Wyke Regis*, to found a Frater-

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nity, or Guild, in the Chapel of St. Nicholas, in the Borough of Weymouth, by the Name of the Master, and Wardens, of the Fraternity, or Guild, of St. George, in Weymouth; by which Name they are to be call'd. At the Dissolution, *Ex Archiv. in Cur.* I find Sir John Russel, Kt. Lord Russel, Master of this Chantry; who, Anno 2 Edw. VI. re-Augment. turn'd an Account of the Income of the Lands, wherewith it was endowed, amounting to 6 l. 14 s. and 10 d. All which, as he accounted, was distributed by him to the Chantry Priest belonging thereto.

But the chief Note of this Place, and Melcombe, is the curious Quarry of Stone, in the Isle of Portland, adjoyning to it, which contributes much to the Advantage of these Towns, by reason of divers Ships frequenting the Harbour, to fetch Stones from thence; which Isle, with Wyke and Weymouth, I find, before the Conquest, to have been given to the Church of Winchester, by Edward the Con-*Annales Winton. in Angl. Sacra. Vol. 1. p. 235.* fessor, in which Church these Manors probably continu'd 'till Henry III's Time, or Edward I's; in whose Reign, we are told, that Gilbert de Clare, Earl of Hertford and Gloucester, gave Lands in Exchange for Portland, *Camden's Britan. in Addit. p. 52.* thro' whose Heirs it came to the Crown, temp. Edward IV. in which it is still vested, as (I am inform'd) Weymouth lately was, viz. 'till King Charles II. alienated it from thence, by disposing of the Fee-Farm Rents of the Manor to Sir John Clobery, Kt. to whose Heirs the Inhabitants of Weymouth should pay a certain Quit-Rent of 16 l. 6 s. 8 d. being the old Fee-Farm Rent of the Borough, as anciently held of the Crown,

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Crown, tho' by Poverty of some of the Householders, and falling down of Tenements, &c. seldom above 12 l. or 13 l. is gather'd, these Heirs are, as I am told, Mr. *Drake*, who lives near *Exeter*, and Mr. *Davenport*, Alderman of that City, and Mr. *Hallwell*.

But to look a little back to Records, however this Account may be authentick, as it seems to be so, without Dispute of its coming to *Edward IV.* by Descent, from the Daughter of *Mortimer*, Earl of *March*, who marry'd the sole Daughter and Heir of *Lionel*, Duke of *Clarence*, second Son of *Edward III.* (which *Lionel* obtain'd, in right of his Wife, *Elizabeth Burgh*, sole Daughter and Heir of *William de Burgh*, Earl of *Ulster*, in *Ireland*, *Weymouth* Manor, and Borough, descended to her from the *Clares*, Earls of *Gloucester*, who, temp. *Edward I.* claim'd View of Frank-pledge, Assize of Bread and Beer, and Return of Writs, &c. within the Boroughs of *Wareham* and *Weymouth*.) Yet I can't so well account, that they came by their Inheritance here, by Exchange of Lands, with the Church of *Winchester*; for, according to *Dugdale's* Transcript of *Doomsday-book*, the Manors of *Wai*, and *Wichemetume*, by which, no doubt, is meant *Wyke* and *Weymouth*, are found, in the *Norman Survey*, temp. *Will. I.* under the Title of *Terra Comitis Moritonensis*, and are reckon'd among the forty nine Manors in *Dorsetshire*; which that King gave to his half Brother, the said *Robert*, made by him Earl of *Cornwall*; upon whose Sons Rebellion, temp. *Henry I.* I presume these might be bestow'd by that

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that King, on his base Son the stout Earl of Gloucester, and so to have descended to the Clares, with that Earldom, and thence to have pass'd to Lionel, Duke of Clarence aforesaid; who, *Anno 40 Edward III*, obtain'd of his Father great Liberties in his Boroughs of Wareham and Weymouth, as Grants of Markets and Fairs; which I find in the Patent Rolls to have been held by the Earl of March, temp. Richard II, and afterwards by the Dukes of York, &c. before 'twas swallow'd up in the Royal Possessions, on Edward IV's Accession to the Crown, upon dethroning Henry VI, whose Queen, Margaret of Anjou, making Preparation to regain the Regal Dignity for her Husband, and is said to have landed here, April 14, 1471, with her Son Prince Edward, at her Return into England, *Anno 11 Edward IV*, which is all I have else to remark of this Borough; but that King Charles II, creating, December 11, 1682, *Anno Regni 34*, Thomas Thynne, Esq; of Longleet, Com. Wilts, (a most worthy and religious Gentleman) a Peer of the Realm, made him Viscount Weymouth, and Baron of Warmister; in which Titles he was succeeded, *Anno 1714*, by the Right Honourable Thomas Thynne, a Minor, Grandson of his Brother, on whom, for want of Issue Male of his own Family, he entail'd it.

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This Town of *Weymouth* is join'd to that of *Melcombe*, since *Leland's* Time, by a wooden Bridge of seventeen Arches, erected at the Beginning of King *James I's* Reign, or latter end of Queen *Elizabeth's*; which, going to

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Decay, has been newly rebuilt within this Year or two, at the Cost and Charge of the present Representatives.

EDWARD II.

- 12 P. at York, Rob. Long, John Winterbourne.
19 at West. Hen. Seydon, John de Flete.

EDWARD III.

- 9 P. at York, Walter Berryl, Laurence Ragger.
15 at West. Will. de Wy, Tho. Hugh.
21 at West. Hen. Stiden, John Deghere.
29 at West. John de Frompton, Walter de Frompton.
34 at West. John Frompton, Rich. Barbour.
34 at West. Will. Dovenhed, Will. atte Wall.
36 at West. Phil. Seydon, Ric. Barbour.
42 at West. Ric. Vaughan, Tho. de la Mere.
43 at West. John Berd, Rich. Bedepitcher.

RICHARD II.

- 2 P. at West. *Not legible.*
3 at West. Phil. Soydon, John Gould.
6 at West. Tho. Lany, Tho. Dover.
7 at West. Phil. Soydon, John Brond.
7 at New Sarum, Will. Ford, Ric. Flete.
8 at West. John Gosselyn, John Soydon.
9 at West. John Bassingbourne, Tho. Payne.
10 at West. John Gosham, John Hughlot.
11 at West. John Wake, Hen. Herr.
12 at Camb. Tho. Dover, John James.
13 at West. Phil. Grice, Rob. Gebbard.
15 at West. Phil. Brice, John James.
16 at Winchester, Hen. Baddock, John Averay.
17 at West. John Bassingbourne, Will. Glover.
18 at West. John Bassingbourne, Stephen Russell.
20 at West. Tho. Cole, John Flete.
21 at West. Will. Ford, Nic. Crabb, jun.

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- 1 P. at West. John Brice, Will. Clerk.
3 at West. Rob. Fenne, Will. Farindon.
8 at Glouc. John Bassingbourn, John Alday.
11 at West. John Bassingbourn, Tho. Paine.

H E N R Y V.

- 1 P. at West. John Wydeford, Rob. Penny.
2 at West. John Woodman, John James.
5 at West. Rob. Penne, John Bridejune.
7 at Glouc. Peter Dille, Will. Rose.
8 at West. Rob. Penne, Rob. Hillary.
9 at West. Will. Payne, John Penne.

H E N R Y VI.

- 1 P. at West. John Penne, Roger Dock.
2 at West. Rob. Shelford, John Abbot.
4 at Leic. Will. Wyott, Humphry Haye.
3 at West. Hen. Russell, John Arnold.
6 at West. Hen. Russell, Humphrey Hay.
8 at West. Ric. Gosse, John Shorteberd.
9 at West. John Sirla, John Kingeswode.
11 at West. Hen. Russell, Will. Frampton.
13 at West. John Sirla, John Bassingbourne.
15 at Camb. Tho. Payne, John Blanchyard.
20 at West. Hen. Russell, Roger Cheverell.
25 at West. Ralph Bere, Tho. Bury.
27 at West. Hen. Fillingley, Will. Tirell.
28 at West. John Russell, Will. Mountague.
29 at West. Will. Hall, John Troutbek.
31 at Reading. John Rokes, Tho. Cadrall.
33 at West. Tho. Crouch, Rich. Snelling.
39 at West. Will. Bromyng, jun. John Clark de Wey] mouth.

E D W A R D I V.

- 7 P. at West. John Sackvyll, Edw. Barbgill.
12 at West. Will. Talboys, Will. Twynes.
17 at West. John Smith, John Grene.

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EDWARD VI.

1 P. at West.
6 at West.

MARY.

1 P. at West. Tho. Sammys, John Jurdeyne.
1 at Oxf. John Wadham, Esq; John Williams, Gent.

PHILIP & MARY.

1 & 2 P. at West.
2 & 3 at West. John Buller, of Wood, Co. Somerset,
Esq; Tho. Hobbs, Esq;
4 & 5 at West. Tho. Keynell, John Cattell.

ELIZABETH.

1 P. at West.
5 at West. Rob. Eyer, Esq; Rainold Grey, Esq;
* In his 13 at West. Tho. Hufley, Esq; Ric. Thomlinson, Gent.
Place, de- 14 at West. John Wolley, Esq; * Ric. Bedell, Esq;
ceas'd, 27 at West. Geo. Greynvile, Esq; Edw. Penruddock,
Moyle Esq;
Fynche, 28 at West. Edw. Bacon, Esq; Will. Sprynt, Gent.
Esq; 31 at West. Will. Mill, Esq; Rob. Gregory, Merchant.
35 at West. Arthur Meflinger, Esq; Will. Weston, Esq;
39 at West. John Randal, John Woolriche.
† In his 43 at West. John Payton, Kt. Walter Cope, Esq;
Place, de-
ceas'd,
Will. Ce-
oil, Kt.

JAMES I.

1 P. at West. † Tho. Barfoot, Mayor, John Hanaam, Kt.
Lord Cran- 12 at West.
borne, 18 at West. Matthew Pitt, Giles Green, Gent.
† In his 21 at West. John Frekes, Esq; Arthur Pyne, Esq;
Place, chose
for Co.
Denbigh,
Giles
Green,
Gent.

CHARLES I.

1 P. at West. John Strangwayes, Kt. † Tho. Middleton,
jun. Kt.

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- 1 P. at West. John Strangwayes, Kt. Arthur Pyne, Esq;
 3 at West. Hugh Pyne, Esq; Lewis Dyve, Esq;
 15 at West. John Strangwayes, Kt. Tho. Giard, Gent.
 16 at West. John Strangwayes, Kt. Walter Eile, Kt.
 Matthew Allett. Gent.

CHARLES II.

- 12 P. at West. Edw. Montagu, Esq; Will. Pen, Kt.
 13 at West. * John Strangwayes, Kt. Winston Church- * In his
 ill, Esq; Place John
 31 at West. Anth. Lord Ashley, John Coventry, Knight Coventry,
 of the Bath. Kt. of the
 31 at West. John Coventry, Knight of the Bath, John Bath.
 Moreton, Kt.
 32 at Oxf. John Coventry, Knight of the Bath, Mich.
 Harvey, Esq;

JAMES II.

- 1 P. at West. John Moreton, Bart. Hen. Henning, Esq;

WILLIAM & MARY.

- 1 P. at West. Mic. Harvey, Esq; Hen. Henning, Esq;
 2 at West. John Moreton, Bart. Mich. Harvey, Esq; * In his
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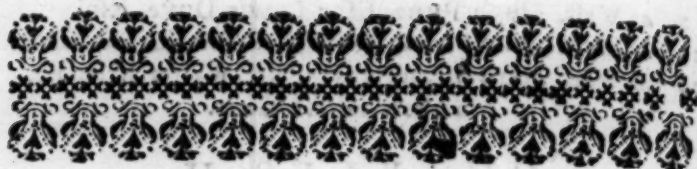
WILLIAM III.

- 7 P. at West. Hon. Maurice Ashley, Mic. Harvey, Esq; † In his
 10 at West. Phil. Taylor, Arthur Shallett, Merchants. Place, de-
 12 at West. Hon. Hen. Thynne, Cha. Churchill, Esq; ceas'd,
 13 at West. Hon. Cha. Churchill, Geo. St. Loe, Esq; Reginald
 Merrior,
 Esq;

ANNE.

- 1 P. at West. Hon. Hen. Thynne, Anth. Henley, Esq; † In their
 4 at West. Hon. Hen. Thynne, Esq; Hon. Cha. Church- Places, un-
 ill, Esq; duly elect-
 7 at West. * Hon. Hen. Thynne, Esq; Hon. Cha. Church ed, Tho.
 ill, Esq; Hardy,
 9 at West. Hon. Maurice Ashley, † Ant. Henley, Esq; Kt. Will.
 12 at West. † Hon. Dan. Harvey, † John Baker, Esq; Harvey,
 Esq;

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OF

MELCOMBE REGIS.



AVING in my Account of *Weymouth* describ'd the Government of this Town, Number of Houses, and Electors, what I shall farther remark here is, that neither of these Places return'd Burgesses 'till *Edward* the II^d's Time; tho' *Melcombe* had receiv'd two Summons viz. 33 & 34 *Edm.* I, as may be seen in the Lists of Members, which shews that it sent oftener Representatives than *Weymouth*, notwithstanding that Place is probably somewhat the older Borough; tho' I conceive both of them might be so erected by King *Edward* the Ist, in the eighth Year of whose Reign *Melcombe*, without question, obtained that Privilege, as is manifested from *Lyme* Charter, and what is hereafter recited; about which Time, I guess, it was parted with to the Crown by the Convent of *Cerne*, tho' when it was given to that Monastery, or by whom, I have not seen

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seen; for in the Time of the Conqueror, Melcombe is survey'd among the King's Manours; and in Edward the Confessor's Reign, Harold, Son of Godwin Earl of Kent, held it; it by this Name is not meant another Melcombe,

*Brady of
Boroughs,
p. 41.
Dugd. Bar.
Vol. 1 p.
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there being more Places so call'd in the County of Dorset. However, in Edward the 1st's Time, as aforesaid, 'tis certain it be- long'd to the Abby of Cerne, that Abbat certifying his Claim of a Tuesday Market, and Fair on the Eve, Day, and Translation of St. Thomas the Martyr, in his Manor of Melcombe, and likewise Wreck of the Sea; for all which he produc'd King Henry the 3rd's Charter: And the same Year the Jury presented Melcombe to be a Member belonging to the Barony of the Abby of Cerne; and that the said Abbat held it of the King in Chief by Knight's Service. But not long after this, it was, as I judge, the same Year, Part of the Dowry of Elianor this King Edward the 1st's Queen, on whose Account great Privileges were given to it, as appears by the following Writ, issu'd out Anno 15 Edw. I, in like Manner as shew'd in

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Lyme; wherein that King willed and required John de Mettingham, his Justice-Itinerant, to take to himself some discreet Knight to hear and determine Causes within the Town of Melcombe, pursuant to the Charter he had granted to the Burgeses of his beloved Consort Elianor, that they should not plead or be impleaded out of the said Town.

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That this Borough became Demeasne Land of the Crown, the Title of Melcombe Regis is no small Evidence; and our Records sufficiently

ciently shew, that all along, after this Reign, it paid a Quit-Rent to it, before the same was bought off by the Inhabitants (as they affirm) before they were united to *Weymouth* by Act of Parliament, *Anno 13 Eliz.* and reduc'd to a small Acknowledgment of 20s. reserv'd out of the Ground-Rents (which amount to about as much as those of *Weymouth*) payable by the Corporation, who collect the same, and apply them to the Town-Uses. This Rent, as in *Weymouth*, is gather'd from every House here, except the Site of the old Priory, or Friery, in *Melcombe*, which pays 1 s. 4 d. to the Crown, and nothing to the Corporation. The Time when this Quit-Rent was thus limited, I take to be in *Henry IV's* Reign, and that it has continu'd so ever since, and consequently never been bought off; notwithstanding what the Inhabitants conceive a Notion of.

The Town of *Melcombe*, as afore recited in *Weymouth*, lies on a Flat, directly opposite to it, and has four tolerable broad Streets; the Houses are mostly built with Stone, tho' not very high; all the Buildings near the Sea in this County being generally low. In the Middle of the Town stands the Church, formerly a Chapel of Ease to *Radipol*, a small Village, a Mile and half almost directly North from *Melcombe*, whose Parochial Rites were translated hither by Act of Parliament, *Anno 1604.*

This Church consists of three Isles of equal Length, all tyld; at the West End is a wooden Turrit for one Bell. To the Building, or rather

rather Finishing of it, as the Townsmen report. The Lady Browne, (of my Mother's Family as appears by her Arms in one of the East Windows,) was a great Benefactor; she also gave 20 s. *per Annum* for ever towards the keeping of it in Repair. When 'twas erected, and made Parochial, we are inform'd in *Stow's Chronicles*, and *Keeble's Statutes*; both which I shall transcribe at Length.

In Weymouth and Melcombe Regis, in the Year 1605, there was a new Church builded; and consecrated the next Year 1606, by Dr. Zouch, Suffragan to the Lord Bishop of Bristol, who nam'd it **CHRIST-CHURCH**: And at this Melcombe Regis there was a very fair Bridge of Timber, built over a Branch of the Sea, consisting of seventeen Arches. The best Benefactors towards building this Church and Bridge, were certain Citizens of London.

*Stow's Chron.
p. 999.*

The Inhabitants of Melcombe Regis, in the County of Dorset, within the Diocese of Bristol, may, at their own Costs, build a Church upon the Ground where the Chapel now standeth, and the Grounds adjoining, convenient to receive the Inhabitants of Radipol, and inclose the waste Grounds adjoining, to make a Church-Yard for a Place of Burial; after which Church is builded, it shall be call'd the Parochial Church of Radipol; and the new Parson of Radipol, and his Successors, shall be Parsons thereof: And the old Parish-Church of Radipol shall be but a Chapel of Ease; and the Patron of the old Parish-Church of Radipol, shall be Patron of the new, and a Mansion-House in Melcombe Regis assign'd to the said Parson, and his Successors, for ever.

*Keeble's Stat.p.992.
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That there was a Chapel here, before the erecting this present Building, is plain from the Words of this Act, which Chapel, I presume, might be anciently consecrated to the *Holy Trinity*. The common Name of which Dedication, is *Christ-Church*; and so the Cathedrals of *Norwich* and *Canterbury*, &c. dedicated to the *Holy Trinity*, are now term'd. As to the Friery, call'd, by the Townsmen, the Priory, 'twas, as I learn, dedicated to *St. Winifred*; it stood, as *Leland* informs us, in the East part of the Town, and was a fair House, and the Patrons and Founders of it were the chief House of the Rogers, in Dorsetshire, who had their Seat at *Brians Town*, alias *Brienston*, near *Blandford*.

*Leland's
itin. Vol. 3.
p. 53.*

In the Year 1682, several Skulls were digg'd up, in, and about, the Ground where the Chapel or Church of it is suppos'd to have stood.

In this Town are held two weekly Markets, viz. on *Tuesdays* and *Fridays*, (the first of which, as afore observ'd, was granted by King *Henry III's* Charter; and the *Friday* one might, perhaps, anciently belong to *Weymouth*, and so is translated hither.) But here is no Fair either belonging to it, or *Weymouth*, tho' the Inhabitants have a Tradition of one, call'd *Putnidge Fair*, which lasted a Week, but when held, they know not; they report also, that much Goods were brought to it from *St. Malo*, *Cherbrooke*, *Morlaix*, and other Places in *France*. Towards the Recollection of the Time when this Fair was held, and for the sake of being as particular as the

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Compass of my Design will reasonably permit me, in every Place of this my Native Country, I shall conclude my Account of this Town, with what Records I have got together, rang'd under every King's Reign, from the Time of *Edward I*, whose Arms this Place and *Weymouth*, in part, bear, marshall'd with those of the *Earl of Gloucester*, which I thus blazon, *a Bridge of three Arches in Fess, mason'd with Streams transluent, in chief in an Escoccheon, three Cheveronells in chief, and three Lions of England in Base.* But to proceed to my Collections,

King Edward II, Anno Regni 3, grants to the *Burgesses of Melcombe*, that they, and their Successors, should have a *Monday Market and Fair*, on the *Feast of the Translation of St. Edward*, and the two succeeding Days.

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Which said King afterwards, Anno Regni 11, reciting, by inspeximus, *King Edward I*, his Father's Charter, dated *March 27*, in the 8th Year of his Reign (in which he grants to the *Burgesses of Melcombe*, several Liberties us'd by the *Citizens of London*, viz. That they should not be impleaded without the *Borough*, &c.) confirms the same, and grants to them the said *Borough* in *Fee-Farm*, paying yearly into his *Exchequer* eight Marks, viz. six according to Custom, and two for Increase; and gives Liberty of building on the Waste, and to let it in *Fee-Farm*; and that they should have a *Monday Market*, instead of their *Tuesday* one; and a *Fair* for eight Days, viz. on the *Eve, Day, and Morrow of S. Botolph* (which Festival is the 17th of *June*) and five Days following; which I take to be the weekly

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Abridg. of
the Tower
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p. 101, III

In Edward III's Reign Melcombe greatly flourish'd, and was, by Act of Parliament, Anno 38 Edward III, appointed a Staple Town; as it was likewise agreed in another Parliament held at Westminster, Anno Regni 35, that in New Melcombe should be a Staple kept. But in the succeeding Reign of Ric. II, it was much impoverish'd and desolated, by reason of the French burning it; wherefore the Inhabitants pray'd a Discharge of their Customs, &c. which was granted, and after-

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wards confirm'd, November 19, Anno 1 Henry IV. wherein that King, in his Patent, recites the said King Richard's Charter, importing, that at the Petition of the Burgesses of Melcombe, situate on the Sea-Coast, who hold their Town in Fee-Farm for eight Marks yearly; being impoverish'd by the daily Assaults of the Enemy, and other Misfortunes, occasioning the Merchants to retire from the said Borough, with their Wares, &c. the King therefore releases the said Fee-Farm-Rent, and all Tithes and Fifteens for twelve Tears next ensuing. As he likewise did afterwards, in the 9th Year of his Reign, on the tender of the following Petition, setting forth, that Anno 50 Edward III, Melcombe was inhabited by one hundred and twenty Burgesses, who paid eight Marks per Annum, for the Fee-Farm-Rent of the Town. But since by the daily Assaults of the Enemy it was so wasted, that there remain'd only twenty Burgesses, who obtain'd of King Richard II, a Release of the said eight Marks for twelve Tears. At the Expiration

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ration of which Term, only eight Burgeses were left; wherefore they pray a Discharge, which, I find, was granted in the 11th Year of this King's Reign for ten Tears, on their paying 20 s. Fee-Farm-Rent, and 6 s. 8 d. for Desmes. As it was also confirm'd, Anno 1 Henry V. who renew'd their Lease, and remitted them all Arrears; and in the 11th Year of his Son and Successor's Reign, Henry VI, at the Request of the Commons, to prevent future Assaults; this Place lying open, and expos'd, the Privileges of the Port of Melcombe were remov'd to Pool; and it enacted, that it should be no longer a Port. But this has been since revok'd, and tho' 'tis no Place of Strength, it at this Day is almost as considerable a Sea Port as Pool it self, or any Place in this County.

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cords, p.
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EDWARD I.

- 33 P. at West. }
34 at West. } *Ballivi nullum Responsum dederunt.*

EDWARD II.

- 8 P. at West. Ric. Languinon, Adam le Glide.
12 at York, Boniface Carle, Hen. Gilberd.
15 at York, Ric. Languinon, Will. de Marescall.
16 at York, Adam Glyde, . . .
19 at West. Ric. Languinon, Tho. atte See.
20 at West. Ric. Languinon, James de Clavaxio.

EDWARD III.

- 1 P. at York, Ralph Languinon, John Stafford.
2 at Northton. Ric. Languinon, Adam le Glyde.
4 at Winch. Ric. Languinon, Tho. atte See.
6 at West. James de Clavaxio, Tho. de Mer.
7 at West. Adam le Glyde, Ric. Languinon.
8 at West. John de Stafford, Hen. le Glyde.

- 9P. at West. John Stafford, John Hungerford.
 9 at York, John Stafford, John de Hungerford.
 10 at West. Adam le Clide, John de Hungerford.
 11 at West. Adam le Clide, John de Stafford.
 12 at Northton. Ric. Languino, Adam le Glyde.
 12 at West. John Stafford, James Hufee.
 14 at West. John Squithier.
 14 at West. Will. Russell, Adam le Glyde.
 15 at West. James de Clavaxio, John May.
 17 at West. Tho. atte See, Will. Duffield.
 21 at West. Will. Mercer, Ric. Norway.
 22 at West. John Stafford, Will. Sport.
 24 at West. Ric. Nawey, John Salop.
 28 at West. Will. Segfton, John Gower.
 29 at West. Rob. Lanerons, John Bakere.
 31 at West. Will. Languinou, Walter Frampton.
 34 at West. John Chichestre, Rob. Laurens.
 34 at West. Will. Languinou, John Gower.
 36 at West. John Gower, Walter Brompton.
 42 at West. Walter de Frompton, Laurence Janyn.
 43 at West. Laurence Janyn, Ric. Spert.
 45 Council at Winch. John Chichester.
 46P. at West. John Gower, John Chichester.
 47 at West. Walter Clopton, John Gower.

RICHARD II.

- 3P. at West. John Chichester, Hen. Frompton.
 6 at West. Hen. Frompton, John Berde.
 7 at West. John Northover, Hen. Clerk.
 7 at New Sarum, Hen. Frompton, John Berd.
 8 at West. John Northover, Tho. Russell.
 9 at West. John Northover, Tho. Walfh.
 10 at West. Hen. Ford, John Northover.
 11 at West. Tho. Russell, Hen. Ford.
 12 at Camb. Tho. Walfh, Ric. Morys.
 13 at West. Tho. Russell, John Northover.
 15 at West. John Kere, John Northover.
 17 at West. Rob. Vele, Rob. Calche.
 18 at West. Rob. Calche, Will. Helliere.
 20 at West. Hen. Ford, Rob. Calche.
 21 at West. Will. Coventry, Will. Helyer.

HENRY

HENRY IV.

- 1 P. at West. Tho. Cole, Eustace Kemer.
- 3 at West. John Wynt, Will. Fowler.
- 5 at West. Rob. Penne, Will. Helyer.
- 8 at Glouc. Tho. Cole, Eustace Kemer.

HENRY V.

- 1 P. at West. Ralph Burage, Tho. Londe.
- 2 at West. Will. Hellyere, Will. Pyn.
- 3 at West. *Cedula amissa.*
- 5 at West. John Pury, John Gardynes.
- 7 at Glouc. Will. Clerk, Ric. Herst.
- 8 at West. Will. Walkeden, Rob. Abbot.
- 9 at West. John Alefaundre, Will. Walkeden.

HENRY VI.

- 1 P. at West. Ric. Penny, Will. Boltham.
- 1 at West. Will. Balsbam, Will. Corfe.
- 2 at West. Will. Walkden, Will. Corfe.
- 3 at West. Will. Gerard, John Bryece.
- 4 at Leic. Will. Corfe, Will. Davy.
- 6 at West. Tho. Husee, Walter Tracy.
- 8 at West. Will. Balsbame, Will. Bochell.
- 9 at West. Philip Leweston, Will. Corfe.
- 11 at West. Will. Balsbame, Will. Corfe.
- 13 at West. Rob. Brunning, Will. Balsbam.
- 15 at Camb. Will. Balsbame, Will. Abbot.
- 20 at West. Will. Balsbam, John Wood.
- 25 at Camb. Barth. Twynho, Rob. Tod.
- 27 at West. John Gloucester, John Baxter.
- 28 at West. John Gloucestre, Andrew Kywell.
- 29 at West. Will. Bullyman, John Gloucestre.
- 31 at Reading, John Rakes, Tho. Cadrall.
- 33 at West. John Grenefeild, Tho. Hordgill.
- 39 at West. Sampson Brown, John Green, sen.

EDWARD

EDWARD IV.

- 7 P. at West. John Ferriby, Rob. Burle.
 12 at West. Will. Knyvet, John Hugye.
 17 at West. John Smyth, John Grene.

EDWARD VI.

- 1 P. at West.
 6 at West.

MARY.

- 1 P. at West. John Leweston, Owen Raynolds.
 1 at Oxford, Ric. Michel, Tho. Samwise.

PHILIP & MARY.

- 1 & 2 P. at West.
 2 & 3 at West. John Leweston, Esq; Will. Crowche.
 4 & 5 at West. John Mills, Ric. Shaws.

ELIZABETH.

- 1 P. at West. John Maynes, Ric. Shaw.
 5 at West. Tho. Colby, Esq; Will. Mere, Esq;
 13 at West. Ralph Browne, Esq; Gwynn Raynolds,
 Gent.

- * In his 14 at West. Tho. Hanham, Esq; * Tho. Hussey, Esq;
 Place, de- 27 at West. Laurence Thompson, Fra. Bacon, Gents.
 ceas'd, 28 at West. Laurence Thompson, Edw. Phillips, Gents.
 Laurence 31 at West. Arthur Massinger, Will. Huddye, Gents.
 Thompson 35 at West. Tho. Stafford, Esq; Tho. Stephens, Esq;
 Gent. 39 at West. Ric. Swayne, Fra. Bryst, Esq; } Double
 † In his John Mockett, John Brooke. } Return.
 Place, he 43 at West. Ric. Swayne, Esq; Edw. Raynolds, Gent.
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JAMES I.

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- 18 at West. John Freke, Esq; Christopher Erle, Esq;
21 at West. Tho. Middleton, jun. Kt. Tho. Gyer, Alderman.

CHARLES I.

- † P. at West. Bernard Mitchell, Alderman, Arthur Pyne, Esq;
1 at West. Bernard Mitchell, Alderman, Giles Green, Gent;
3 at West. Robert Wapp, jun. Kt. Henry Waltham, Alderman.
15 at West. Giles Strangeways, Esq; Ric. King, Esq;
16 at West. Gerard Nappier, Esq; Ric. King, Esq;
Will. Sidenham, jun. Esq; John Bond, L.L.D.

CHARLES II.

- 12 P. at West. Henry Waltham, Merchant, Sam. Bond, Recorder, Peter Middleton.
13 at West. * Bullen Reimes, Esq; * Will. Pen, Kt. * In their
31 at West. Tho. Browne, Esq; Michael Harvey, Esq; Places,
31 at West. Tho. Browne, Esq; Michael Harvey, Esq; John Man
32 at Oxf. John Moreton, Bart. Hen. Henning, Esq; Esq; Anthony Ashley, Esq;

JAMES II.

- 1 P. at West. Geo. Strangeways, Esq; Fra. Mohun, Esq;

WILLIAM & MARY.

- 1 P. at West. John Moreton, Bart. Rob. Napier, Kt. & Bart. † In his
2 at West. Hen. Henning, Esq; † Nic. Gold, Esq; Place, deceased,
Thomas Freke, jun. Esq;

WILLIAM III.

- 7 P. at West. John Freke of Harrington, Esq; † John Knight, Esq; † In his
10 at West. Michael Harvey, Esq; Tho. Freke, Esq; Place, expelled the
12 at West. Hon. Maurice Ashley, Esq; Michael Harvey, Esq; House, Philip Taylor, Esq;
13 at West. Hon. Maurice Ashley, Esq; Christopher Wrenn, Kt.

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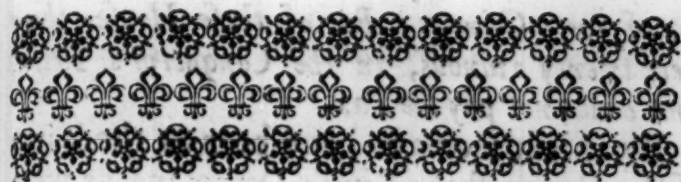
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- 1 P. at West. Hon. Cha. Churchill, Esq; Geo. St. Loe, Kt.
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9 at West. * James Littleton, Esq; * Will. Betts, Esq;
12 at West. James Littleton, Esq; || Will. Betts, Esq;

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BRIDPORT.



Otwithstanding the many pretended Derivations of this Place, of some written *Bruteport*, who will have it that *Brute* landed here, and others, who, with as little Grounds derive it from *St. Bridgett*, and thence term it *Portus Sanctæ Brigittæ*, or *Bridesport*, the true Denomination of it (as I am well satisfy'd) comes from its standing on the River *Bur*, alias *Bret*, one of the two small Streams betwixt which it is situate; and the Country People's calling it *Burport*, seems to confirm it: Before the *Norman* Invasion we learn from *Doomsday Book*, that here were in *Edward the Confessor's Time*, one hundred and twenty Houses; and that it defended it self in all the Kings Services, and was tax'd at five Hides, and paid to the Use of the King's Householders half a Mark of Silver, excepting the Customs of one Nights Service; and that here was then one *Mint-Master*, who yeilded to the King a Mark of Silver, and twenty Shillings

Ga'e's Hist.
Ang. Script.
Vol. 3. p.
764.

out of every Coinage : But of these Houses there were twenty ruinous, in the Conqueror's Reign, that could not pay the Tax.

By this it seems to have been at the Time of the Conquest the King's Demeasne, as were then no doubt *Dorchester*, *Shaftsbury*, and *Wareham*; all which had Mints and great Privileges, (which, by the Laws of *K. Athelstan*, could not be exercis'd, but in wall'd Towns or Boroughs, which generally imported the same Thing;) tho' I don't find this was created a Borough before King *Henry the III'd's* Charter, dated 22 June, Anno Regni 37; by which this Town was leas'd in Fee-Farm to the Inhabitants, on their rendring a certain Quit-Rent to the Crown, as they had done formerly, which is at this Day paid by the Corporation; who, under the King, are Lords Paramount of the Borough, tho' other Persons, as I am inform'd, challenge some small Manors therein, viz. *Mr. Wade of Topsham*, *Mr. Hoskins of Caundle*, and *Mr. Sadler*, neighbouring Gentlemen.

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This Corporation consists of two Bailiffs, and thirteen Burgesses; it seems to have been incorporated even in *Richard the II'd's* Reign, or by the said King *Henry the III'd's* Grant; which this King confirming, gave to the Burgesses of Bridport; Liberty of choosing one or two Bailiffs, who should be accountable for the Fee-Farm-Rent, which was afterwards ratify'd and confirm'd by King *James the Ist*, by Charter dated November 2, in the 17th Year of his Reign; who, reciting Bridport's being incorporated, by the Name of Bailiffs and Burgesses, li-

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mits it to consist of two Bailiffs, to be chosen by the Burgeses yearly; and that the Corporation shall consist of fifteen Burgeses, whereof the Bailiffs to be two of them, and to have Power to choose a Recorder. And that the said Bailiffs, and preceding Bailiffs and Recorder, shall be Justices of the Peace, and no foreign Justices to act therein. He also gives them Power to build a Prison, have a common Seal, hold Lands and Tenements, &c. and choose a Town-Clark, and two Sergeants to carry Maces before the Bailiffs; and that the Bailiffs shall have all Fines and Amerciaments, with other ancient Privileges. But to return to the Charter of King Henry the III^d, which I shall give at Length from the Entries among the Memorandums of that King's Rolls, in the 38th Year of his Reign, which is as follows;

“ Rex concessit probis Hominibus de ^{Madox's} *Brideport*, quod Villa de *Brideport* de cæ- ^{Hist. of the}
 “ tero sit liber Burgus, & quod iidem Ho- ^{Exchequer,}
 “ mines & eorum Hæredes in perpetuum ^{p. 290.}
 “ habeant & teneant illum Burgum libe-
 “ rum, cum omnibus Libertatibus & liberis
 “ Consuetudinibus ad hujusmodi Burgum
 “ pertinentibus, reddendo inde singulis An-
 “ nis ad Scaccarium S. Michaelis firmam
 “ quam pro prædicta Villa prius reddide-
 “ runt, & 40s. de Incremento Salvis Regi,
 “ & Hæredibus suis Juribus suis in eadem
 “ Villa ad Regem pertinentibus, & omni-
 “ bus aliis Servitiis Regi inde debitis &
 “ consuetis, sicut de libero Burgo suo. Con-
 “ cessit

" cessit etiam eisdem Hominibus, quod sine
 " Contradictione & Impedimento alicujus
 " eligere possint de seipsis, cum voluerint,
 " unum vel duos Ballivos, qui de firma e-
 " jusdem Burgi, cum prædicto Incremento,
 " singulis Annis respondeant ad prædictum
 " Scaccarium, & de omnibus aliis ad Regem
 " & Hæredes suos pertinentibus, &c.

From this last Clause, and such like general Expressions in Charters, I can't but conceive the Rise of several Corporations, who customarily choosing Bailiffs, or Receivers of the Fee-Farm, these, by Degrees, commenc'd general Officers, or Governors of Towns.

The Town of *Bridport* contains principally two Streets, viz. a stragling one, lying on the Road, from East to West; from the Middle of which Branches another shooting from North to South, wherein stands the Church, the only one now in Being, dedicated to *St. Mary*, (the Patronage of which, in *Queen Elizabeth's* Time belong'd to the *Rogers's*) 'tis adorn'd with a good embattell'd Tower. In the first Street is a ruin'd Church of *St. Andrew*, having a low Tower, tyld at Top. Here are about two hundred and eighty Houses, and near as many Votes for Members of Parliament, the Right of Election remaining in the Inhabitants at large, being House-keepers.

At the East End of the Town stood a Chapel of *St. John*, the same probably with the alien Priory of *St. John Baptist*, valu'd at

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at 6 l. per Annum; and at the West End was a Chapel of St. Michael. Besides which, here was an Hospital, or Lazar-House, and near it a Chapel of St. Mary Magdalen, as Leland informs us; who also tells us, that on a Tomb in St. Mary's Church, on the North Side the High Altar, he saw this Inscription, *Hic jacet Gulielmus filius Elizabethæ de Fulers Comitissæ Cantie Consanguineæ Philippæ quondam Regina Anglicæ.*

Notit. Mi-
naft. p. 55.

Leland's
Itin. Vol.
3. p. 49,
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This Philippa was King Edward the III's Queen, on whose Account he created her Kinswoman's Husband Earl of Cambridge, which in this Transcript is mistook for Kent; for it should be Comitissæ Cantabrigiæ, and not Cantie. In this Church of St. Mary were Chantries of St. Mary and St. Catharine, one of which was founded Anno 42, Edw. III, as there was Anno 26, Edw. III, a Chantry call'd Mondays, in the Chapel of St. Michael, which was endow'd with six Marks before the Dissolution, temp. Edw. Ro. Pat. VI, who granted, March 25. Anno Regni 3, to Thomas Watson and William Aldys, a Mansion-House and Garden-Plot belonging to St. Catherine's Chantry; as he did, the same Year, May 1, to Nicholas and Roger Pri- Ibidem, deaux, the late Hospital of St. John Baptist. p. 5.

Rot. Pat.
Anno 42.
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m. 32.

A. 3. E.
6. p. 1.

As to the Situation of Bridport, it stands low in a dirty Soil, the Buildings are for the most part of Stone, tho' they are but indifferent; the Street which lies on the great Western Road, (the chief Support of its little Trade) is broad, but very uneven, and ill pav'd; and the Town-Hall but mean, notwithstanding the Quarter-Sessions for the County are held

Rot. Pat.
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Placita
forinfeca
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set. A. 8.
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Fuller's
Worthies,
p. 278.

held here once a Year. That this Town is become thus ruinous and decay'd, may be conjectur'd, in some Measure, to be owing to the choaking of the Harbour, barr'd up by the Tides with Sand, often in vain endeavour'd to be cleans'd away, as here have been Attempts of making new Ports, particularly in *Richard the 1st*'s Time, when *John Huderfeld* obtain'd a Grant of the King for carrying on this Work, for which he was to have an half Penny Toll for every Horse-load of Goods imported or exported here; before which, *Anno 8 Edw. 1*, the Townsmen exhibited their Claim of Toll from all Ships coming hither, and alledg'd, that they and their Ancestors fully enjoy'd these Liberties. But what chiefly impoverish'd it, was the Loss of the Hemp-Manufacture, in which *Burport* drove so considerable a Trade, by Reason of the Soil hereabouts yielding good Store of Hemp, that *Anno 21 Hen. VIII*, an Act was made for the making of Halters, Cables, and Ropes in *Burport*, and within five Miles thereof; which I find reviv'd and confirm'd almost every Session of Parliament for upwards of sixty Years after, as may be seen in our Statute-Books, whence came that noted Proverb of a Man's being hang'd, viz. *That he is slabb'd with a Bridport Dagger.*

EDWARD I.

- 23 P. at West. Roger de Mayne, John Alayn.
26 at York, Roger de Mayne, Ric. de Harden.
28 at Linc. Ric. Harden, Tho. Caterigg.

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- 28 P. at Lond. Rob. Corbin, John Cole.
- 33 at West. John de Bridport, Roger Goodfellow.
- 35 at Carlisle. Tho. Newburgh, Rob. Hill.

EDWARD II.

- 5 P. at Lond. John Colliford, John Blonchwall.
- 6 at West. Roger Pindeaus, John de Brideport.
- 7 at West. John Colliford, John Shuggell.
- 8 at West. Rob. Corbyn, John Cole.
- 8 at York, Ric. Locon, Hen. Tracy.
- 15 at York, Roger Barry, Will. Larkstock.
- 16 at York, Edw. Reynolds, Roger Barry.
- 19 at West. Rob. Beyminstre, Hen. de Cotton.

EDWARD III.

- 4 P. at Winch. Ric. de Thredere, Rob. de Benisted.
- 6 at West. John de Bridport, John de Larkstock.
- 9 at York, John Stannord, Rob. Brideport.
- 10 at West. Tho. de Cary, Ric. Laurens.
- 10 Council at Nort. John de Bridgewater, Robert de Bridport.
- 12 P. at West. Rob. Beyminstre, James Husee.
- 14 at West. Rob. Beyminstre, Will. Beyne.
- 17 at West. Rob. Beyminstre, Ric. Laurenz.
- 20 at West. Tho. de Trent.
- 21 at West. Edw. atte Stone, Rob. Bridport.
- 22 at West. Ric. Laurenz, Rob. Bridport.
- 24 at West. Rob. Beyminstre, Rob. Bridport.
- 25 at West. Rob. de Beyminstre, Rob. Brideport.
- 28 at West. Rob. Bridport, sen. Rob. Bridport, jun.
- 29 at West. Rob. Beyminstre, sen. Rob. Beyminstre, jun.
- 31 at West. Rob. Bridport, sen. Rob. Bridport, jun.
- 34 at West. Rob. Beyminstre, sen. Rob. Beyminstre, jun.
- 34 at West. Rob. Bridport, sen. Rob. Bridport, jun.
- 36 at West. Rob. Beyminstre, Tho. Staunton.
- 37 at West. Rob. Beyminstre, John Tracy.
- 42 at West. Rob. Beyminstre, Tho. Staunton.
- 43 at West. Will. Hinton, Rob. Beyminstre.
- 45 Council at Winch. Ric. Suward.

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- 46 P. at West. Will. Henton, John Tracy.
47 at West. Will. Henton, John Hayward.

RICHARD II.

- 1 P. at West. John Hayward, John Tracy.
2 at Glouc. John Hayward, John Tracy.
6 at West. John Hayward, John Tracy.
7 at New Sarum, John Hayward, John Tracy.
8 at West. John Hayward, John Tracy.
9 at West. John Brafey, John Tracy.
10 at West. John Hayward, John Tracy.
11 at West. John Hayward, John Tracy.
12 at Camb. John Tracy, Will. Cordell.
13 at West. John Hayward, John Tracy.
16 at West. John Hayward, John Tracy.
17 at West. John Tracy, Gilbert Draper.
18 at West. John Hayward, John Rogers.
20 at West. John Palmer, John Crouke.
21 at West. John Seymour, John Crouke.

HENRY IV.

- 1 P. at West. John Hayward, John Tracy.
3 at West. Simon atte Ford, Nic. Tracy.
8 at Glouc. Hen. Tile, Walter Badcock.

HENRY V.

- 1 P. at West. John Rogers, Will. Mountfort.
2 at West. Andrew Forshey, Simon atte Ford.
3 at West. *Cedula manca*.
5 at West. Simon atte Ford, Edw. Stikelane.
7 at West. Hen. Roffe, Roger Stikelane.
8 at West. Simon atte Ford, John Stamp.
9 at West. Tho. atte Ford, Will. Pernham.

HENRY VI.

- 1 P. at West. Will. Mountfort, Simon atte Ford.
2 at West. Simon atte Ford, Tho. Newton.
3 at West. Tho. atte Ford, Nic. Perys.
4 at Leic. Simon atte Ford, John Butte.
6 at West. Rob. Hillary, Will. Bowley.

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- 8 P. at West. John Bettescomb, Will. Bowley.
 9 at West. John Bettescomb, Will. Bowley.
 11 at West. John Bettescomb, Rob. Hillary.
 13 at West. John Burgeys, Will. Boef.
 15 at Camb. John Boweleigh, John Butt.
 20 at West. Will. Oliver, John Burgen.
 25 at Camb. Geo. Eton, John Pury.
 27 at West. John Burgeys, Tho. Stargill.
 28 at West. John Torrell, John Burgeys.
 29 at West. John Burgeys, Will. Ward.
 33 at West. Andrew Kebelt, John Ingram.
 39 at West. John Jewe, John Callowe.

EDWARD IV.

- 6 P. at West. Tho. Tremaille, Ric. Jenor.
 12 at West. John Newburgh, John Vavafor.
 17 at West. Tho. Newburgh, Rob. Newburgh.

EDWARD VI.

- 1 P. at West.
 6 at West.

MARY.

- 1 P. at West. Christopher Smythe, Will. Poole.
 1 at Oxf. Rob. Neyle, Gent. Edmond Prout, Gent.

PHILIP & MARY.

- 1 & 2 P. at West. John Alford, John Moyne.
 2 & 3 at West. Rob. Fowkes, Esq; Tho. Chard.
 4 & 5 at West. John Hypseley, Tho. Wellshe.

ELIZABETH.

- 1 P. at West. Will. Page, Rob.
 5 at West. John Hastings, Ric. Inkpen, Gent.
 13 at West. Tho. Parrie, Esq; Geo. Trenchard, Gent.
 14 at West. John Lord Russell, Miles Sands, Esq;
 27 at West. Peter Turner, M. D. Morgan Moon, Gent.
 28 at West. Peter Turner, M. D. Morgan Moon, Gent.

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- 31 *P. at West.* George Paulet of Crendall in the County of Southampton, Esq; Gregory Sprint of Colliton-Ralegh, Co. Devon, Esq;
 35 *at West.* Christopher Lambert, Gent. John Fortescue, Esq;
 39 *at West.* Layston Fitz-James, Adrian Gilbert.
 43 *at West.* Rob. Napper, Kt. Ric. Warburton, Esq;

JAMES I.

- 1 *P. at West.* Rob. Meller, Kt. John Pytt, Gent.
 12 *at West.* Will. Bamfeild, Kt.
 18 *at West.* John Strode, Esq; *Apprentice at Law, one of the Masters of the Middle Temple,* John Browne of Frampton, Esq;
 21 *at West.* Rob. Browne, Esq; Will. Muschampe, Esq;

CHARLES I.

- 1 *P. at West.* Lewis Dyve, Kt. John Strode, Kt.
 1 *at West.* Lewis Dyve, Kt. Ric. Strode, Kt.
 3 *at West.* Tho. Paulett, Esq; Bamfeild Chaffin, Esq;
 15 *at West.* Tho. Trenchard, Esq; John Miller, Kt.
 16 *at West.* Giles Strangeways, Esq; Roger Hill, Esq; Tho. Celye, Esq;

CHARLES II.

- 12 *P. at West.* John Drake, Esq; Hen. Henly, Esq;
 13 *at West.* Humphry Bishop, John Strangeways, Esq;
 31 *at West.* Wadham Strangeways, John Every, Esq;
 31 *at West.* Rob. Hen, Kt. Will. Bragg, Esq;
 32 *at Oxf.* Will. Bragg, Esq; John Michell, Esq;

JAMES II.

- 1 *P. at West.* Hugh Hodges, Esq; Tho. Chaffin, Esq;

WILLIAM & MARY.

- 1 *P. at West.* Ric. Brodrep, Esq; John Manly, Esq;
 2 *at West.* John Michell, Esq; Stephen Evance, Esq;

WILLIAM

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WILLIAM III.

- 7 P. at West. Stephen Evance, Kr. || Nic. Cary, Esq; || In his
10 at West. Peter Battiscomb, Alex. Pitfeild, Esq; Place, de-
11 at West. Alex. Pitfeild, Esq; Will. Gullston, Esq; ceas'd, Pe-
12 at West. Alex. Pitfeild, Esq; Will. Gullston, Esq; ter Battis-
13 comb,
Gent.

ANNE.

- 1 P. at West. Alex. Pitfeild, Esq; Ric. Bingham, Esq;
4 at West. Alex. Pitfeild, Esq; Thomas Strange-
ways, jun. Esq;
7 at West. Thomas Strangeways, jun. Esq; William
Coventry, Esq;
9 at West. Thomas Strangeways, jun. Esq; William
Coventry, Esq;
12 at West. William Coventry, Esq; John Holkins-
Gifford, Esq;



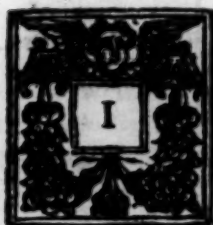
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IS pleasantly situate on a high Hill, commanding an extraordinary large Prospect, and contains about five hundred Houses, lying in four Parishes, in several Streets, tho' the Buildings are but indifferent. The Churches small, and the Towers thereof low, otherwise they might be discern'd a great many Miles every Way. These Churches are reported antiently to have been ten, whereof only four now remain, viz. *Trinity, St. Peter's, St. James's, and St. Rumbald,* alias *Cann Church, or Chapel:* The two first are united, though the Incumbent is presented to two others, viz. *St. Martin's and St. Lawrence's,* one of which is a Barn and the other a Dwelling-House. The rest are entirely demolish'd, tho' the Names are yet remember'd, as *St. John's,* whose Church-yard (still so distinguish'd) is made Use of as a Burial-Place to *St. James's,* in which Parish

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was also a Chapel of *St. Edward*; and in another Part of the Town a Church or Chapel of *Our Lady*, which, with the great Abby-Church, I presume, made up the Number. To this Church (heretofore the Glory of the Town) the rest were subservient, that being undoubtedly the Mother to them all, and before King *Henry* the VIIIth's Time the Place of Sepulture; for there are no old Monuments in any of the present Parish-Churches; and Pity it is that the said Abby-Church was not left standing and made Parochial; (as *Shirburne* and *Milton* Abbies were) for 'twas by all Report a most magnificent Fabrick, as may be judg'd by the Romantick Traditions the Townsmen retain of its Largeness and Height, from the Spire whereof *Camden* fetches the Denomination of the Town, viz. from the Saxon Word *Scheapz*: it being call'd in that Language *Scheafter-byn*.

As to the Foundation of this Monastery, *Leland's Collectanea* notwithstanding some would have it erected by King *Ethelbald*, it was scarcely founded before his Brother *Alfred's* Reign, *Anno 888*, *p. 71.* not many Years after his founding the Town; as our Chronicles tell us he did; tho' there are several fabulous Stories of its being a City in the Time of the *Britains*, call'd by them *Caerpaladour*; and that where this Abbey was built, stood, in Pagan Days, a Temple of *Pallas*; however, this seems to be confuted by this Inscription cited by *Camden*,
 ANNO DOMINICÆ INCARNATIONIS
 ALFREDVS REX FECIT HANC VRBEM
 DCCCLXXX REGNI SVI VIII. *Camden's Brit. p. 48.*

*Decem
Scriptor.
p. 875.*

*Ieland's
Collectanea
v. 1. 3. p.
187.*

*Ibidem,
p. 192.
Speed's
Chron. p.
402.*

Tho' even in this Time it is said to have been formerly a Town, and, as I judge, King *Alfred* might be rather the Giver of Privileges to it, and so to have made it flourish, than to have first fix'd a Town here, where none was before; for in *Affer* Bishop of *Sherburne's* Days, who dy'd Anno 883, *Shaftesbury* contain'd a Street; and *Brompton*, in his *Chronicon*, lays, *Alfred* repair'd this City. But to return, and omit this Dispute, whensoever the Original of the Town began, 'tis certain, that it arose to great Eminence by its Monastery of Nuns, consecrated by King *Alfred* aforesaid to the Blessed *Virgin Mary*; tho' that Name it soon lost upon the Translation of *St. Edward the Martyr* to it, inhumanely murder'd by his Mother-in-Law, at *Corfe Castle*, March 18, Anno 978; and first bury'd at *Wareham*, whence he was, according to my Author, the next Year, viz. Anno 979, (tho' others, with better Grounds, say it was three Years after,) remov'd to this Nunnery, by *Elpheg*, Duke of *Mercia*, who, coming to *Wareham*, caus'd the Body of *St. Edward the Martyr* to be taken up, which being found intire and sound, was, after having been wash'd and new cloath'd, order'd to be translated to *Shaftesbury*, and there to be bury'd. From whence this Abby Church came to be call'd by his Name, and, on Account of the great Devotion several of our Kings paid to the Royal Martyr, by visiting his Shrine, (as King *Canute*, who departed this Life here, November 12, 1035, tho' the *Saxon Chronicle* makes it 1036.)

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1636.) It was greatly endow'd with Possessions, the Revenues being rated, at the Suppression, at 1166 l. 8 s. 9 d. Dugdale. 1329 l. 1 s. 3 s. Speed. It being the richest and best endow'd Nunnery in England, and of such Quality was its Abbess, that she was one of the four Abbesses (the rest being those of Barking in Essex, St. Mary in Winchester, and Wilton,) who held of the King, an entire Baronry, and had by that Tenure privilege of Summons to Parliament, &c. tho' upon the Score of their Sex it was omitted. However, they had Writs directed to them, to send their Quota of Soldiers into the Field, in Proportion to their Knights Fees. The last of these Lady Abbesses was Elizabeth Souche, who surrendering the same to King Henry the VIIIth's Uses, March 23, 1539, 30 Hen. VIII, these goodly Buildings were quickly ruin'd, as I guess by Leland's taking no Notice of them, in his Survey of this Town, made soon after the Reformation, in which he says, *This Abbay stode by . . . of the Town of Shaftesbury, which is a great Market Town on an highe Hill, having four Paroche-Chirches in it; and that there was an Inscription on the right Hand entrance of the Chapter House, set up by Alfredus, Kyng of the West-Saxons, in Knoledge that he repayred Schaftesberye, dystroyed by the Danes; and that the Inscription of the Remaines of the whiche William of Malmesbyri speketh, stodd in the Waulle of St. Marie's Chapell, at the Towne's End. The Chapell is now pulled downe.* That

Tanner's
Notit. Mo-
nast. p. 51.

Collier's
Ecclesiast.
Hist. Vol.
2. p. 164.

Leland's
Itin. Vol. 7.
p. 90.

That this Church as above-recited from *Le-*
land, was begun to be demolish'd after the Dis-
 solution, may be imply'd from his saying this
Abbay *stode*, and *there was an Inscription*. How-
 ever, 'tis now so entirely destroy'd, that
 the Site is not to be discern'd, tho' 'tis well
 known where it stood, viz. about the Mid-
 dle of the Town, adjoining to the South Side
 of the Cemetary of *Trinity Church*. To it
 belong'd the Manor, &c. of this Bo-
 rough; which I find was bestow'd by *Edw.*
VI. Anno 1547, on *Thomas Earl of South-*
ampton; that King, by Patent dated July
 23, *Anno Regni 1*, granting to the said *Earl*
 and his Heirs the Site and Precinct of the late
Monaste-y of *Shaftesbury*, and the Town and
 Borough of *Shaftesbury*, and all *Messuages*,
Lands, *Rents*, &c. to the same belonging in the
Parishes of *St. Peter*, *St. Laurence*, *St. James*,
St. Martin, and the *Holy Trinity*; and the
Advowsons and Right of *Patronage* of the *Recto-*
ries and Churches of *St. Laurence*, *St. Martin*,
St. Peter, and the *Holy Trinity* in *Shaftes-*
bury aforesaid. But not long after, these Pre-
 mises were possessed by the *Earl of Pembroke*;
 for in the Beginning of *Queen Elizabeth's*
 Reign, as the Townsmen report, one *Arundel*,
 Steward to *William Earl of Pembroke*,
 built a large House in the Town for him-
 self, which is now ruin'd, and enlarg'd *Tri-*
nity Church out of the *Abby Materials*.
 From this Earl this Manor and Borough
 came to his Descendants *Earls of Pembroke*;
 one of whom, at the latter End of King
Charles the 1st's Reign, having sold the
 Advowsons

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Advowsons of the Churches to Sir John Nicholas, Knight of the Bath, (Son of Sir Edward Nicholas, Knight of the Bath, and Secretary of State) Father to Edward Nicholas, Esq; the present Proprietor) convey'd at the same Time the Royalty of the Manor and Borough to Anthony Ashley Cooper, ^{Dug. Bar.} Vol. 2. p. created Earl of Shaftesbury April 23, 1672; 482. whose Great Grandson, a Minor, now enjoys it.

The Borough of Shaftesbury, which has, from the Beginning, return'd Members to Parliament, is govern'd by a Mayor and twelve Aldermen; by which Title it was incorporated by Queen Elizabeth, (as I am inform'd) tho' it was, as the Inhabitants say, incorporated by Prescription, and had a Mayor and Burgeses before she so privileg'd it. The Members of Parliament are elected by the Inhabitants at large, paying Scot and Lot, in Number about 300. It is a very ancient Borough, being so call'd before the Conquest, as appears by Domesday Book. In the Reign of King Athelstan, Grandson to King Alfred, it was ordain'd, that there should be two Mints in Shaftesbury, which, according to the Norman Survey, were, in the next Century, increas'd to three. The Words of which take as transcrib'd from the Record, the Particulars of which being translated into English in Bridport, I shall there refer.

Leland's
Collectanea, Vol. 3.
p. 213.

Lambard's
Sax. Laws,
at the End
of Bede's
Hist. p. 50.

In Burgo Sceptesberie, tempore Regis Edwardi, erant tria domus in Domino Regis, una villa ad omne servitium Regis se defendebat.

Gale's Hist.
Angl. Scrip.
Vol. 3. p.
764.

*Et geldebat pro xx bid. scilicet ii Mark. argenti
Huscarlis Regis; ibi erant iii Monetarii, quisque
reddebat i Mark. argenti Et xx sol. quando Mo-
neta vertebatur, &c.*

That this Borough was then the King's
Demesne, may be conjectur'd from these
Words, *In Dominio Regis*; and that it so con-
tinu'd a considerable Time after the Con-
quest, I have seen, in some Records, *temp.*
Edw. I and III. To instance in the latter,
Anno i Edw. III. Edmund Plantagenet, Earl of
Kent, Son to Edmund the Ist, had a Grant of
Shaftesbury Manor to him and his Heirs; af-
ter whose Son's decease, it might, perhaps,
be given to the Monastery of Shaftesbury,
to which it belong'd at the Dissolution,
temp. Hen. VIII. in the 26th Year of whose
Reign, Shaftesbury was, by Act of Parlia-
ment, made a See of a Suffragan Bishop;
which Title I find *Anno 1538.* enjoy'd by
John Bradley, last Abbat of the beautiful Mo-
nastery of St. Sampson, at Middleton in this
County, Successor, *Anno 1525.* to William
Milton, who bestow'd great Cost about his
Abby Church and House, now the Seat of Sir
Jacob Banks; in which is one of the most curi-
ous, ancient Halls I have any where seen.

In Edward VI's Reign I have met with se-
veral Grants of Chantries, founded hereto-
fore in Shaftesbury, viz. one call'd the Chan-
try of St. *Annes de la Gore*, which was grant-
ed July 12, *Anno Regni 2.* to Thomas Baxley
and Robert Reve.

And others, known by the Name of St. Ca-
tharine's and St. John Baptist's Chantries, found-

Rot. Cart.
A. 1. E 3
m. 81.

Keeb'e's
Stat. f. 456.

Ro. Pat. A.
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p. 7.

ed in the late Monastery, which were bestow'd,
July 29, Anno 3 Edw. VI, on Silvester Taverner. *Ibidem, A.*

What I further remark of this Borough, *3. E. 6.*
 shall be to divert the Reader with an Ac- *p. 7.*
 count how the Inhabitants are serv'd with
 Water; for it being seated, as before ob-
 serv'd, on the Top of an high Hill, is en-
 tirely destitute of Springs; (except two Wells
 in Occupation of private Persons) and has
 been, Time out of Mind, supply'd with Wa-
 ter brought on Horses Backs, from three or
 four large Wells, a quarter of a Mile be-
 low the Town, in the Parish of *Melcombe*,
 within the Liberty of *Gillingham*, a Ma-
 nor belonging to the aforesaid *Edward Ni-*
cholas, Esq; on which Account there is this
 particular Custom yearly observ'd, by ancient
 Agreement, between the Lord of the Manor
 of *Gillingham*, and the Mayor and Burgesses of
Shaftesbury. The Mayor is oblig'd, the *Monday*
 before *Holy Thursday*, to dress up a Prize Besome
 as they here call it, (somewhat like a *May-*
Garland in Form) with Gold and Peacock's
 Feathers, and carry it to a broad Green, half
 a Mile below the Hill, in the Parish of
Melcombe, and present it to the Lord of the
 Manor, as an Acknowledgment for his Wa-
 ter; together with a raw Calves Head, and
 a pair of Gloves, which his Steward receives.
 Twelve Penny Loaves, and three dozen of
 Beer, is by Custom distributed among the
 People. The Ceremony being over, the
 Prize Besome is restor'd to the Mayor, and
 brought back to the Town by one of his
 Officers, with great Solemnity. This Be-
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some is generally so richly deck'd with Plate and Jewels, borrow'd from the neighbouring Gentry, that it is seldom worth less than 500 l. A great many People get their Livings by fetching Water, for which they have three half Pence, and two Pence an Horse's Load, according to the Part of the Town they carry to, and a Farthing, (or half Penny a Pail, if fetch'd on the Head. About fourteen Years since, the Water was rais'd by an Horse-Engine, and convey'd into a large Cistern in the Middle of the Town, but the yearly Profits not answering the Fund and Repairs, in three or four Years it came to nothing. However, the same Thing hath since been renew'd about two Years ago, and brought to pretty good Perfection, and a great Part of the Town is supply'd with Water from it, tho' in Summer it is not always good, and seldom or never fit for nice Uses, as Coffee, Tea, &c.

E D W A R D I.

- 20 p. West. John Cokaine, Hugh Gappe.
 21 at York, Roger le Tayntur, Will. Langebeck.
 28 at London, Walter Snowden, John Vigerous.
 30 at London, Will. Sefewood, Tho. Sharcham.
 33 at West. Laurence Pyngge, jun. John de Wilton.
 34 at West. Will. Aunkehill, John de
 35 at Carlisle, Walter Sandon, Hamond le Lange.

E D W A R D II.

- 1 P. at York, Rob. de Monte Alto, Ric. Normayne, alias
 Shaftsbury.
 2 at London, Walter Souden, Hamond le Lange.

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- 6 P. at West. Walter Souden, Tho. Steerman.
- 7 at West. John Hatche, John le Reall.
- 8 at West. Walter de Souden, John Vigerous.
- 15 at York, John le Ma, John le Ston.
- 16 at West. Ric. Kinemere, John Cockayne.
- 19 at West. Roger Luff, jun. Will. Virugore.

EDWARD III.

- 1 P. at York, Ric. Palmer, John de Hull.
- 1 at West. Tho. Berewyk.
- 2 at North. Ric. le Palmers, Ric. de Kynemere.
- 4 at Winch. Ric. de Kinemour, Will. Vigerous.
- 6 at West. John Ankerill, John Bray.
- 7 at West. Rob. Actill, Walter Souden.
- 9 at West. Peter Mankerneyes, Walter Souden.
- 9 at York, John Ankerill, John le Draper.
- 10 Council at Nott. John Ankerill. Will Souden.
- 11 P. at West. John Sutton.
- 11 Council at West. Will. Ankery, Tho. Platell. John Seled.
- 12 P. at West. Tho. Platell, Will. Ankerill.
- 14 at West. John Steerman, Tho. Platell.
- 15 at West. John de Wyke.
- 15 at West. Rob. Axtell, John Steerman.
- 17 at West. Will. le Mew, Tho. Platell.
- 20 at West. Tho. de Trent, John de Wyke.
- 21 at West. John Wyke, John Steerman.
- 22 at West. Roger de Manningford, Will. Hachevill.
- 22 at West. John de Wyke, Walter de Thornhull.
- 24 at West. John Liff, John Piggon.
- 28 at West. John Pyron, John Luffe.
- 29 at West. Rob. Fovent, John Sharnthorne.
- 31 at West. Walter Perle, Edw. Barnabe.
- 32 at West. John Pygeon, John Luffe.
- 34 at West. Edm. Barnabe, Tho. Ayleron.
- 34 at West. John Pyronne, Bam. Barnabe.
- 36 at West. Will. Smallbergh, John Moryn.
- 37 at West. Walter Henley, Alan Caunsted.
- 43 at West. Walter Henley, Edw. Barnal y.
- 45 Council at Winch. Walter Henle.
- 47 P. at West. Will. Ankerill, John Luff.

RICHARD

RICHARD II.

- 1 P. at West. Walter Haule, Tho. Bache.
- 2 at West. Walter Haule, Tho. Bache.
- 3 at West. Walter Haulegh, Tho. Cammel.
- 5 at West. Walter Haulegh, Tho. Cammel.
- 6 at West. Walter Haulegh, Tho. Seward.
- 7 at West. Walter Haule, Tho. Seaward.
- 7 at New Sarum, Walter Haule, Tho. Cammel.
- 8 at West. Walter Sowden, Rob. Mowhawyt.
- 9 at West. Walter Haulegh, Tho. Cammel.
- 10 at West. Edw. Lance, Ric. Payne.
- 11 at West. Tho. Camenew, Tho. Seaward.
- 12 at Camb. Hugh Croxale, Roger Pyron.
- 15 at West. Tho. Cammell, John Whiting.
- 16 at Winch. Tho. Cammell, Walter Biere.
- 17 at West. Tho. Cammell, Rob. Bear.
- 18 at West. Walter Biere, John Whiting.
- 20 at West. Walter Biere, John Hordure.
- 21 at West. Walter Biere, Hugh Croxale.

HENRY IV.

- 1 P. at West. Walter Biere, Tho. Cammell.
- 3 at West. Walter Biere, Tho. Cammell.
- 8 at Glouc. John Boke, John Bremer.

HENRY V.

- 1 P. at West. Walter Biere, John Bole.
- 2 at Leic. Walter Byer, Tho. Har.
- 3 at West. *Cedula manca.*
- 5 at West. Walter Byere, Rob. Fry.
- 7 at Glouc. Rob. Fry, John Scarburgh.
- 8 at West. John Bole, Rob. Syybb.
- 9 at West. Rob. Syybb, John Hody.

HENRY VI.

- 1 P. at West. John Hody, Rob. Syybb.
- 3 at West. John Hody, Rob. Syybb.
- 4 at Liecester, Rob. Wilkins, John Forde.
- 6 at West. John Hody, Rob. Tourges.

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- 8 P. at West. Will. Morrtton, Alex. Nody.
9 at West. Ric. Byle, Walter Reson.
11 at West. Will. Lovell, Will. Kelleway.
13 at West. Will. Morrtton, Will. Lovell.
15 at Camb. Will. Lovell, Will. Moreton.
20 at West. Will. Reyot, Will. Rempston.
25 at Camb. Will. Twynio, Rob. Talbot.
27 at West. Samson Broun, Ric. Daverfer.
28 at West. Nic. Petyr, Tho. Cross.
29 at West. Tho. Walround, Ric. Percy.
31 at Reading, Giles Daker, John Pole.
33 at West. John Bicknell, Stephen Hatfeild.
39 at West. Christopher Wode, Tho. Hargyl.

EDWARD IV.

- 7 P. at West. Tho. Hardgill, Tho. Pole,
12 at West. John Shoyll, John Ketemere.
17 at West. Rob. Morton, Tho. Hufec.

EDWARD VI.

- 1 P. at West.
6 at West.

MARY.

- 1 P. at West. John Gapputh, John Fivell.
1 at Oxf. John Denham, Gent. John Gapper, Gent.

PHILIP & MARY.

- 1 & 2 P. at West.
2 & 3 at West. Matthew Arundell, Hen. Forster, Esq;
4 & 5 at West. Will. Grove, Hugh Hawker, Gent.

ELIZABETH.

- 1 P. at West. John Smith, Kr. Hen. Coker.
5 at West. Hen. Iden, Esq; Will. Jorden, Esq;
13 at West. John Long, Gent. Tho. Morgan, Gent.
14 at West. Cha. Vaughan, Esq; Rob. Grove, Esq;
27 at West. Tho. Cavendish, Esq; Barth. Kemp, Esq;

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- 28 P. at West. Francis Zouche, Gregory Sprinte, Esq;
 31 at West. Tho. Crompton, Michael Hicks, Gents.
 35 at West. Arthur Atye, Esq; Michael Hicks, Gent.
 39 at West.
 43 at West. Arthur Messenger, John Budden, Gent.

JAMES I.

- * In his Place, chose for Cambridge University, Simeon Steward, Kt.
 1 P. at West. Rob. Hobson, Esq; John Boden, Gent.
 12 at West. * Miles Sands, Kt.
 18 at West. Tho. Sheppard, Esq; Will. Beecher of London, Esq;
 21 at West. John Thorowgood, Will. Whitaker, Esq;

CHARLES I.

- 1 P. at West. John Thorowgood, Will. Whitacre, Esq;
 1 at West. Sam. Turner, Esq; Will. Whitacre, Esq;
 3 at West. John Croke, Kt. John Thorowgood, Esq;
 15 at West. Will. Whitacre, Esq; Recorder, Sam Turner, Esq;
 16 at West. Sam. Turner, M. D. Will. Whitaker, Esq;
 John Fry, Esq; John Bingham, Esq;

CHARLES II.

- 12 P. at West. Tho. Grove, Esq; James Baker, Gent.
 † In his Place, John Ben-
 net, Esq; 13 at West. Hen. Whitaker, † John Low, Esq;
 31 at West. Hen. Whitaker, Esq; Tho. Bennet, Esq;
 31 at West. Matthew Andrews, Kt. Tho. Bennet, Esq;
 32 at Oxf. Matthew Andrews, Kt. Tho. Bennet, Esq;

JAMES II.

- 1 P. at West. Hen. Butler, Kt. John Bowles, Esq;

WILLIAM & MARY.

- 1 P. at West. Mat. Andrews, Kt. Edw. Nicholas, Esq;
 2 at West. Mat. Andrews, Kt. Edw. Nicholas, Esq;

WILLIAM

WILLIAM III.

- 7 P. at West. Mat. Andrews, Kt. Edw. Nicholas, Esq;
 10 at West. Edw. Nicholas, Esq; † Hen. Cornish, Esq; † In his
 12 at West. Edw. Nicholas, Esq; Tho. Chafin, Esq; Place, ex-
 13 at West. Edw. Nicholas, Esq; John Cropley, Bart. pell'd the
 House,
 Tho. Chaf-
 fin, Esq;
 * In his
 Place, de-
 ceas'd,
 Hen. Whi-
 taker, Esq;

ANNE.

- 1 P. at West. John Cropley, Bart. Edw. Nicholas, Esq;
 4 at West. Edw. Nicholas, Esq; John Cropley, Bart.
 7 at West. Edw. Nicholas, Esq; Edw. Seymour, Esq;
 9 at West. Edw. Nicholas, * Edw. Seymour, Esq;
 12 at West. Edw. Nicholas, Esq; Hen. Whitaker, Esq;



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BOROUGH OF WAREHAM



IS reputed the ancientest Borough, and also esteem'd to have been heretofore the largest Town in *Dorsetshire*, there being reckon'd no less than *seventeen* Churches formerly belonging to it, tho' they are now reduc'd to *three*, all which are supply'd by one Minister, who preaches at *St. Mary's*, the great Church, the Summer half Year, and at the *two* others, dedicate to the *Trinity* and *St. Martin*, alternately the Winter Season. As to the rest of the Churches, I find only the Names of these, *St. Michael's*, turn'd into a Barn, and thatch'd; *St. Peter's*, us'd as a Town-Hall, (both which are included in *St. Mary's* Parish) *Allhallows*, made a Ware-house, (this stands in *St. Martin's* Parish.) Besides which, were others of *St. Mary Magdalen* and *St. Andrew*, that I have read of, and a Monastery of *St. Peter* and *St. Ethelwold*, (made a Cell to the Abby of *Lira* in *Normandy*; and on the Suppression of Alien Priories, given to

to *Montgrace-Abby* in *Torkshire*, to which last Saint, viz. *St. Ethelwold*, and *St. Edward*, I should judge here were likewise Churches consecrate; and from digging up Mens Bones, at a Place call'd *St. Jones Hill*, conclude, that thereabouts stood a Church dedicate to *St. John*; which are all I can account for, the Remainder being utterly unknown to me: Wherefore I shall add little else, than that *Wareham* is situate in the midst of the Heathy Part of this County, between two Rivers, the *Froom* and *Piddle*, (which first empties it self about five Miles lower into the Sea) and consists principally of two Streets, crossing each other, meanly built. The Ditches, &c. where it was wall'd, are evident, tho' no Part of the Walls, or the old Castle, (which stood a little above the South Bridge, in a Place call'd *Castle-Close*) or of any of the Churches remain; besides those afore spoken of, viz. the three defecrated ones, and those in present Use, which are no extraordinary Structures; that of *St. Martin's* (which stands at the North End of the Town) being small, and those of the *Trinity* and *St. Mary*, (almost opposite to each other) being also very indifferent Buildings, except the Tower of *St. Mary's*, which is the chief Ornament of the Town; whose greatest Support is a well frequented Market on *Saturday*, the Toll of which probably belongs to the Corporation; in which is also vested, in Trust, the Manor of the Borough, (or Fee-Farm Rents, (either arising from the said Toll, or from small Acknowledgments

*Madox's
Hist. of the
Exchequer
p. 283.*

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Assis. Anno
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*Dugd. Bar.
Vol. 1. p.
216.*

ledgments paid by the respective Houses) worth, as I judge, about 20*l.* per Annum; which said Fee-Farm Rents, I find, were anciently granted to the Burgesses of Wareham, on Payment of a Quit-Rent of the said Sum of 20*l.* per Annum. For Anno 12 of King John, the Inhabitants of this Place paid a Fine of an hundred Marks for that King's Charter, to hold this Borough, with its Appurtenances, to them and their Heirs at 20*l.* per Annum. Tho I presume the Royalty of it was, even at this Time, (or not long after) Part of the Demefines of the noble Family of the Clares, Earls of Gloucester: For Anno 8 Edw. I, Gilbert de Clare, Earl of Gloucester and Hertford, certisy'd his Claim to a Gallows, Infangthef, placita Namii vetiti, Bloodshed, Hue and cry, View of Frank-pledge, Pillory, Ducking-Stool, Assize of Bread and Beer, and a Saturday Market every Week, and a Fair for two Days, viz, on the Eve and Day of St. John Baptist, in his Borough of Wareham; which Liberties he pleaded that himself and Ancestors had enjoy'd Time out of Mind. To this Gilbert succeeded his Son of the same Name; who being slain in the Battel of Bannockburn near Strivelin in Scotland, without Issue surviving, his Sisters became his Heirs; whereupon, by Partition of Lands, I find his Manors and Boroughs of Wareham and Weymouth assign'd to Elizabeth, one of his Sisters, first Wife to John de Burgh, Son and Heir to the Earl of Ulster; and afterwards to Roger Damory, (both which enjoy'd it in her Right.) By her first Husband she had

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had Issue *William de Burgh*, Earl of *Ulster*; who leaving only a Daughter nam'd *Elizabeth*, she, by becoming Wife to *Lionel*, second Son to King *Edward* the III^d, brought to him these Boroughs, together with the Title of Earl of *Ulster*; which he held in her Right. This *Lionel* afterwards, on Account of his Wife's Descent, being, in the 36th Year of his Father's Reign, rais'd to the Title of Duke of *Clarence*, departing this Life Oct. 17, 1638, 42 *Edw.* III, was, at the Time of his Death, found seiz'd, *inter alia*, of these said Boroughs; of which his Son-in-Law, *Edmund Mortimer*, Earl of *March*, who marry'd *Philippa*, his only Child, had Livery; whose Son and Successor, *Roger Mortimer*, Earl of *March*, dying without Issue Male, all his great Inheritance, with the Hereditary Title to the Crown of *England*, descended to his Daughter *Anne*, Wife to *Richard Plantagenet*, Son to *Edmund de Langley*, Duke of *Tork*, (fifth Son of King *Edward* the III^d) whose Son *Richard*, Duke of *Tork*, (Father to King *Edward* the IVth and *Richard* the III^d) assigning this Borough of *Wareham* to his Wife *Cecily*, Dutcheß of *Tork*, in Part of her Dowry, she probably enjoy'd the same during her Life; which, on her Decease May 21, 1495, to *Henry* VII, came to the Crown; and, as I am inform'd, continu'd Part of the Demesnes thereof, till King *James* the Ist bestow'd this Manor (at the Request of *John Ramsey*, Viscount *Haddington*, afterwards created Earl of *Holderness*) on *Thomas Emerson*, Esq; and

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ib. Vol. 2. p. 168.

Sandford's Genealogical Hist. p. 221.

ib. p. 389.

Richard Cowdall, Gent. who sold it to seven Purchasers, suppos'd to be the then Magistrates of the Town. From these it was convey'd to one *Mr. Plucknett*; and from his Family, since purchas'd by *Lieut. Gen. Erle*, about twenty Years ago, who settled the same, for the binding out poor Children, for ever in Trust upon the Corporation; which consists of a *Mayor*, six capital *Burgesses*, and twelve *Common-Council-men*, or *Assistants*, according to the present Charter, granted in the first Year of *Queen Anne*; before which it is said to have been incorporated by Prescription. By Virtue of this late Establishment the *Mayor*, *Recorder*, and preceding *Mayor*, are constituted *Justices of the Peace*, the two first of the *Quorum*, and impower'd to hold their own *Sessions*; which they had not Privilege to do before, or be in Commission: Tho' by their old prescriptive Right, the *Mayor* is *Coroner of the Isle of Purbeck*, and the *Isle of Bronksey*, (a small Island by *Pool*) as well as of his own Town. The Choice of Members of Parliament is in the Inhabitants at large, paying *Scot and Lot*, in Number about one hundred and fifty, as appears by a Poll taken in the late King *William's* Time; by which I judge the Number of Houses scarce to exceed two hundred. The Returning Officer is the *Mayor*; of which Magistrate there is Mention *temp. Hen. VI.*

By the above-mention'd Charters, I presume, the two new Fairs on the 6th of *April*, and the 31st of *August*, were obtain'd; for here was not long since any other Fair held

held, but that on *Midsummer-Day* afore spoken of, claim'd *Anno 1280: 8 Edw. I.* by *Gilbert de Clare.*

To look back into the ancient State of this Town, it was long before the Conquest, memorable for being the Burial-Place of

Brictius, last sole Monarch of the *West-Saxons*, in the Time of the *Hentarchy*, payson'd by his Wife *Ethelburga*, *Anno 802*; tho' the *Saxon Chronicle* more truly says he dy'd

Anno 800.

It was afterwards also of Note for the Interment of *St. Edward the Martyr*, who was translated from hence to *Shaftesbury*.

At the *Norman Invasion*, as may be seen by *Deomsday-Book*, Wareham was the King's *Demesne*, and then tax'd at ten Hides. In *Ed-*

ward the Confessor's Time, here were one hundred and forty three Houses, and two Min-
masters, who paid a Mark of Money to the King, and 20 s. at every Coinage. These Mints were appointed by King *Athelstan*.

William the Conqueror, as *Camden* tells us, built here a strong Castle, which was defended in Behalf of King *Stephen*, against his Competitor *Henry*, Son of *Matilda* the Empress, who coming to recover the Crown, landed here *Anno 1142*, with *Robert Earl of Gloucester*, and besiegd the same, which was at length yielded to him. In his Return back again to *Anjou*, (after he had staid a considerable Time in *England*) he took Shipping at *Wareham*; which was, before the choking up of the River, a noted Port; but upon the Loss of that, this Place soon

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*Leland's
Collectanea
Vol. 3. p.
235.*

*History of
England,
Vol. 1. p.
50.*

*Gale's Hist.
Ang. Scrip.
Vol. 3. p.
764.*

*Leland's
Collectanea
Vol. 3. p.
213.*

*Stow's
Chron. p.
146.*

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decay'd, as I have shewn in *Pool* from *Leland*, who attributes the Rise of *Pool* to the Sea's deserting, or, as *Camden* says, robbing *Wareham* of its Harbour.

Near *Wareham* is a small Village, call'd *Stowborough*, suppos'd to have been a Sort of a Suburb to it. 'Tis included in the Parish of the *Trinity* in *Wareham*. The Inhabitants have a Tradition, (but with what Ground I cannot apprehend) That *Wareham* arose out of its Ruins, and that *Stowborough* is the Mother-Town to it. This little Place retains an Officer call'd a *Bailiff*, and had, 'till within these 4 or 5 Years, a *Mayor*, and pretends to some Privileges, on Account, I presume, of having been ancient Demesne of the Crown.

In the Reign of King *Stephen* afore said, I find a Confirmation of Houses in *Burgo de Wareham*, to the Monks of *Sherborne* Abby, recited in a Charter of that Church, dated *Non. Feb. 1145*, printed in the 9th Volume of *Leland's Itinerary*, p. 160. In the same Author's *Collectanea*, Vol. 2. p. 445, we have an Account of one *Matilda*, a pious Woman, who built a Cell at *Wareham*, where she liv'd a retir'd Life near fifteen Years in the Time of *St. Wulfric*, a religious Hermit, who dy'd very old at *Haselbergh*, Co. *Somerset*, 10th Cal. *Martin*, 1154. He was for his singular Devotion visited by King *Henry* the 1st and his Queen.

About *Wareham* is a great deal of Tobacco-Pipe-Clay dug, which is very good for making fine Earthen Ware. This Clay is carry'd to several Parts of the Kingdom, and convey'd

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convey'd in Boats to the Ships riding in Pool Harbour: By Reason of the Cheapness of firing, and other Advantages, it would doubtless turn to good Account for any Person to set up that Manufacture here.

EDWARD I.

- 30 P. at London, Walter Sparew, Hugh Chiche.
- 33 at West. Stephen Goodwin, Walter Sparew.
- 35 at Carlisle, Stephen Godwyn, Tho. de Aula.

EDWARD II.

- 5 P. at London, Ric. Chike, Tressit Bond.
- 7 at West. John de Mornefbogh, Ric. Craub.

No extant Returns from the 7th Year of King Edward II. 'till the 2d of Edward III.

EDWARD III.

- 1 P. at West. John le Grete, John le Neve.
- 2 at West. Will de Mayheu, Roger de Manyngford.
- 6 at West. Rob. Mywewan, Stephen Godwyne.
- 12 at West. Hen. Hod, Tho. Herring.
- 15 at West. Rob. Bridport, Will Bene.
- 19 at West. Ralph Bayly, John Hodd.
- 31 at West. Tho. Godwyne, James Walround.
- 34 at West. Tho. Godwyne, John Bridemere.
- 34 at West. Tho. Godwyne, Will. Athelengton.
- 36 at West. Roger Mahen, James Walleround.
- 37 at West. Roger Mayheu, Tho. Chyke.
- 42 at West. Roger Mayheu, Ric. Gerard.
- 43 at West. Ric. Gerard, John Sherere.
- 45 Council at Winch. Will. Chike.
- 45 P. at West. Will. Chyke, Ric. Gowyer.
- 47 at West. Will. Chyke, Ric. Gowyer.

RICHARD II.

- 1 P. at West. James Wallbroun, Tho. Wallbroune.
- 2 at Glouc. Tho. Wallbroun, James Wallbroun.

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- 1 at West. Tho. Wallbroun, John Horewood.
- 2 at West. Will. Dama, Will. Gam.
- 3 at West. Ric. Copleston, Adam Deney.
- 4 at New Sarum, Walter Bile, John Diggon.
- 5 at West. Matthew Raulin, Will. Couper.
- 6 at West. Will. Payne, Tho. Wallbroun.
- 7 at West. Walter Gyle, Tho. Wallbroun.
- 8 at West. Walter Gyle, Tho. Wallbroun.
- 9 at Camb. Tho. Walrond, Rob. Calche.
- 10 at West. Rob. Calche, Adam Denny.
- 11 at West. Ric. Byle, Tho. Walbroun.
- 12 at West. Ric. Byle, Tho. Walbroun.
- 13 at West. Ric. Byle, Tho. Walbroun.
- 14 at West. Ric. Byle, Tho. Walbroun.
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- 18 at West. Ric. Byle, Tho. Walbroun.
- 19 at West. Ric. Byle, Tho. Walbroun.
- 20 at West. Ric. Byle, Tho. Walbroun.
- 21 at West. Ric. Byle, Tho. Walbroun.

HENRY IV.

- 1 P. at West. Tho. Barbour, Adam Denny.
- 2 at West. Rob. Calche, Ric. Byle.
- 3 at Glouc. John Gramford, Will. Collins.

HENRY V.

- 1 P. at West. Rob. Oford, Tho. Feringdon.
- 2 at Leic. John Mayheu, Ric. Byle.
- 3 at West. Walter Refon, Will. Byle.
- 4 at Leic. Tho. Byle, Tho. Refon.

HENRY VI.

- 6 P. at West. Will. Byle, Walter Refon.
- 8 at West. Will. Byle, Will. Claville.
- 9 at West. Ric. Byle, Walter Refon.
- 11 at West. Rob. Holme, Will. Henton.
- 13 at West. Will. Byle, John Gerard.
- 15 at Camb. Will. Layot, Will. Byle.
- 20 at West. Tho. Dogg, Ric. Chalcore.
- 27 at West. Rob. Byle, Will. Claville.
- 28 at West. Tho. Dogg, Will. Veymy.
- 29 at West. Rob. Brunyng, Tho. Malfrey.
- 31 at Reading, Hen. Odingley, John Brakeman.
- 33 at West. Alex. Browning, Ric. Chalcore, jun.
- 39 at West. Will. Chyke, Will. Milford.

EDWARD IV.

7 P. at West. Giles Davies, John Rook. 1 P. at West. 1
 12 at West. Edw. Grantham, Tho. Warriner. 1 at West. 1
 17 at West. Rob. Perham, Rob. Pele. 1 at West. 3
 18 at West. John Trenchard, Esq. 1 at West. 17
 19 at West. John Trenchard, Esq. 1 at West. 18
 20 at West. John Trenchard, Esq. 1 at West. 19

EDWARD VI.

1 P. at West. 1. CHARLES
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MARY.

1 P. at West. 1. CHARLES
 6 at West. 1. CHARLES
 12 at West. 1. CHARLES
 17 at West. 1. CHARLES
 18 at West. 1. CHARLES
 19 at West. 1. CHARLES
 20 at West. 1. CHARLES

PHILIP & MARY.

1 & 2 P. at West. Hugh Smyth, Roger Gerard.
 2 & 3 at West. 1. CHARLES
 4 & 5 at West. Mar. Smythe, Walter Rawleigh, Esq.

ELIZABETH

WILLIAM & MARY

1 P. at West. 1. CHARLES
 7 at West. James Morris, Gent. Ric. Shaw, Gent.
 13 at West. John Baker, Clement Hyatt, Gent.
 14 at West. John Gwynne, * Clement Hyatt, Gent.
 27 at West. Andrew Rogers, Esq. John Rogers, Gent.
 28 at West. John Rogers of the Inner Temple, Gent.
 13 at West. John Rogers, Gent. Christopher Gerard, Esq.
 35 at West. Tho. Rogers, Esq. Geo. Strode, Esq.
 39 at West. John Frankland, Sampson Hussey, Gent.
 43 at West. John Stafford, Kt. Edm. Scott, Gent.

JAMES

1 P. at West. 1. CHARLES
 7 at West. James Morris, Gent. Ric. Shaw, Gent.
 13 at West. John Baker, Clement Hyatt, Gent.
 14 at West. John Gwynne, * Clement Hyatt, Gent.
 27 at West. Andrew Rogers, Esq. John Rogers, Gent.
 28 at West. John Rogers of the Inner Temple, Gent.
 13 at West. John Rogers, Gent. Christopher Gerard, Esq.
 35 at West. Tho. Rogers, Esq. Geo. Strode, Esq.
 39 at West. John Frankland, Sampson Hussey, Gent.
 43 at West. John Stafford, Kt. Edm. Scott, Gent.

CHARLES I.

- 1 P. at West. Will. Pytt, Kt. John Trenchard, Esq;
 1 at West. Nat. Nappier, Kt. Edw. Laurence, Esq;
 3 at West. John Miller, Kt. Gerard Nappier, Esq;
 15 at West. John Trenchard, Esq; Gilb. Jones, L. L. D.
 16 at West. John Trenchard, Esq; Tho. Earle, Esq;

CHARLES II.

- 12 P. at West. Geo. Pitt, Esq; Rob. Collesford, Esq;
 13 at West. Geo. Pitt, Esq; Rob. Collesford, Esq;
 31 at West. Tho. Erle, Esq; Geo. Savage, Esq;
 31 at West. Tho. Erle, Esq; Geo. Savage, Esq;
 32 at Oxford, Tho. Erle, Esq; Geo. Savage, Esq;

JAMES II.

- 1 P. at West. Tho. Erle, Esq; George Ryves, Esq;

WILLIAM & MARY.

- 1 P. at West. Tho. Erle, Esq; Tho. Skinner, Esq;
 2 at West. Tho. Erle, Esq; Will. Okden, Esq;

WILLIAM III.

- 7 P. at West. Tho. Erle, Esq; Tho. Trenchard, Esq;
 12 at West. * Hon. Tho. Erle, Esq; Geo. Pitt, Esq;
 13 at West. Tho. Erle, Esq; Geo. Pitt, Esq;

ANNE.

- 1 P. at West. † Geo. Pitt, Esq; Tho. Erle, Esq;
 4 at West. Rt. Hon. Tho. Erle, Esq; Geo. Pitt, Esq;
 7 at West. Rt. Hon. Tho. Erle, Esq; Geo. Pitt, Esq;
 9 at West. Rt. Hon. Tho. Erle, Esq; † Geo. Pitt, Esq;
 12 at West. Rt. Hon. Tho. Erle, Esq; George Pitt, Esq;

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CORFECASTLE



As it owes its Privileges, so, without doubt, it does its Original to the Castle, built here, in all Probability of Circumstances, by King *Edgar*, as we may judge from an Inquisition recited in the Additions to *Camden's Britannia*, p. 31. This Prince deceasing *Anno 975*, (very likely at this his new erected Castle) left the same to his Queen *Elfrida*; who making it the Place of her Residence, render'd it, on that Account, very famous in History, by committing at it a most barbarous Murder on her Son-in-Law, King *Edward*, (who succeeded his Father in the Kingdom) to make Room for her own Son *Ethelred*. This Tragedy, as our Historians inform us, was acted in the Year 978, on this wise: The young King, hunting near *Conse*, (being separated from his Company), rode away thither to make a Visit to his Mother-in-Law, which she hearing of, went to meet him at the Gate, and while she bid him a pretended Welcome,

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Criff's Church History p. 298.

Collins's Ecclesiastical History vol. 1. p. 200.

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Cressy's
Church
History,
p. 886.

one of her Servants, by her Appointment, mortally stab'd him; of which Wound he instantly dying, was convey'd privately into a Lodging near the Castle, where, as my Author says, *was a Church built in that same Place.* However, he was not interr'd here, but first deposited at Wareham, and afterwards at Shaftesbury, as shewn in those Boroughs. In the aforesaid Place where this Church was erected, we may suppose stands the present Parochial Church, which is a large lofty Building, cover'd with Lead throughout, and dedicate, as I have seen in an old Record, to the above-mention'd King *Edward*, whose unhappy Fate procur'd him to be enroll'd amongst the Saints of this Age. He is still'd in our Chronicles, *Edward the Martyr*, to distinguish him from other Kings of the same Name before the Conquest. Upon his Canonization, three Festivals were appointed (to be kept to his Memory, viz. *March 18*, the Day of his Murder; *February 18*, and *June 20*, on the two Removals of his Corps.

Collier's
Ecclesiastical
History,
Vol. I. p.
200.

To this Church (which is a Royal Peculiar, not liable to any Episcopal Visitation or Jurisdiction, the Rector being Official of the same) belongs a Chapel of Ease, call'd *Kington Chapel*, consecrate to *St. James*, as the Mother Church is to *St. Edward*, from which it is distant a long Mile, and also as much from the Town of *Corfe*; which is situate underneath the Castle on a considerable Rise, especially from the North and West, and contains about one hundred and

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twenty Houses, (as I judge.) The Inhabitants paying to Church and Poor, (whose Number may be near eighty) chuse the Members of Parliament, which this Borough first began to return *Anno 14. Elizabeth*, upon that Queen's granting this Manor to her great Favourite, *Christopher Hatton, Esq.* by whose Interest since I have already conjectur'd, that this Town, and *Bishops-Castle* in *Shropshire*, procur'd Representatives in Parliament; and that by the Means of the Courtiers in this Reign, most of our small Boroughs now exercising this Liberty, were encourag'd to assume it, (especially in *Cornwall* and *Hampshire*.) I beg Leave to offer the following President in Behalf of my Assertion, (very lately transmitted me out of the Town-Books of *Newport* in the *Isle of Wight*) which, though somewhat foreign to this County, since perhaps this Borough of *Newport* may be the only one wherein Care has been anciently taken to insert any such Entry, I hope my placing it here, may not be unacceptable.

Vide Preface to the first Vol. p. xix & xxiii.

“ *Memorandum*, That at the Special Instance and Procurement of Sir Geo. Carey, Kt. Marshal of her Majesty's most Honourable Household, and Captain of the *Isle of Wight*, two Burgesses were admitted into the High Court of Parliament, holden at the City of *Westminster* the 23d Day of November, in the 27th Year of the Reign of our most Gracious and Sovereign Lady *Elizabeth*, by the Grace of God Queen
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“ of England, France, and Ireland, Defender
 “ of the Faith, &c. for our Town of New-
 “ port, (that is to say) Sir Arthur Bowcher,
 “ Kt. and Edmund Carey, Esq. Whereas there
 “ were never Burgessees admitted in any Court
 “ of Parliament for that Time, during the
 “ Memory of Man before for the said Town,
 “ the Sheriff's Warrant (Thomas Dabridgecourt,
 “ Esq.) for that Election bears Date October
 “ 18, 1584, and is directed to the Bailiff
 “ of the Town of Newport in the Isle of
 “ Wight, and the Returns made by the Bay-
 “ ff and Burgessees of the said Borough.

But I return from this Digression, to pre-
 sent the Reader with a second Curiosity, and
 that is the Copy of an original Letter, com-
 municated to me by a very kind Friend out
 of Norfolk; tis wrote on a Sheet of Paper,
 made up and seal'd in Fashion of a Letter,
 and thus superscrib'd,

To the Right Worshipful our assured Friend Sir
 John Hobert, Knight, give these, London.

The Words of the Letter are exactly as
 follows:

Right worshipfull and our undoubted kinde
 Friend, We the Maior and Barons of the
 Borough of Corfe-Castell, within the Isle of
 Purbeck in the County of Dorset, salute you in
 CHRIST. Forasmuch as at the Request of
 the Right Worshipfull Sir Edward Cooke, Kt.
 his Majesty's Attorney-Generall, we have elect-
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ed and nominated you to be one of the Burgesſes for our ſaid Borough, for the Service in his Ma-
jeſties moſt High Courte of Parliament; and for
the other have choſen and elected this honeſt and
kinde Gentleman, Mr. Edward Dackham, our
Townſman, this Bearer, a Man of ſufficient Ability
and Livelibood. Our Requeſt therefore unto your
Worſhipp is, that you would be well pleaſed to af-
foord him your kind Aſſiſtance in furtheringe any
ſuch Motion as might be thought beneficiall and
for the Good of our Towne; as alſo in maninge
Sir Edward Cooke, that by his good Counſel and
Direction a Graunte from his excellent Maſeſtie
may (if poſſible) be had for the Corroboration
and Confirmation of the auncient Liberties of our
Borough, which we hold by Charter; wherein if
you vouchſafe to manifeſt your Love to our poore
Corporation, we ſhall have no Cauſe at all to re-
pent us of our Choice in electinge you, but grate-
fully to accept the ſame, and reſt ever readie, to
the uttmoſt of our Powers, in what we may, to
make Requital as Occaſion ſhall be miniſtred.
Thus commendinge your ſelf and your ſerious Af-
fairs to the Bleſſinge of the Allmightie, doe moſt
humbly take our Leaves.

Corff-Caſtell, the Xth of March, 1603.

Your Worſhipps unknowne yet kinde poore
Prindes,

John Miller, Maior.

Anthony Dolling.

William Browne.

Robert Abbott.

Robert Dolling.

Robert Codd.

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What these ancient Liberties were, that this Borough claim'd by Charter, or when it was made a Borough, I have not been able to learn, but in general, that its Privileges are very great; and that the principal Members, viz. as many as have born the Office of Mayor are call'd Barons; and that the Mayor for the Time being, and the preceding Mayor, are Justices of the Peace. Here is held a weekly Market on Thursdays, and two Fairs, on May the 1st, and October the 18th. But the Privileges belonging hereto, are, as I guess from a Grant made to Christopher Hatton, rather vested in the Lords of the Town than the Burgesses. They were confirm'd, as I am inform'd, at the Instance of the late Duke of Leeds by King Charles the 11d, by Charter dated February 12, Anno Regni 31, who allow'd this Borough the same Immunities as the Cinque-Ports, and exempted it from Toll, &c.

The Lord of this Manor is Lord Lieutenant of the Isle of Purbeck, (in the Midst of which this Borough stands) an Hereditary Title, (scarcely enjoy'd by any other private Person in the Kingdom :) He had also granted him Power of appointing all Officers in the said Isle; and all Actions, Suits, &c. were determinable before his Bailiffs and Deputies. He has also Shipwrecks in the Isle, and Freedom from the Lord Admiral of England, &c. In short, as this Castle was formerly of great Note, and a Royal Prerogative, so here were Privileges accordingly attending it; and of what Consideration its Strength, &c. render'd it, we may easily conclude from our Historians,

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ans, who tell us, that on Stipulation of Treaties between the Kings of England and the Nobility, when the Safety of the Realm began to consist in Castles, this was one of the most principal belonging to the Crown; and that *Anno 40 Hen. III*, this was, on *Simon Montfort's* taking that King Prisoner, the third Castle requir'd to be deliver'd up: And in the Time of *Edward the 1st*, it was look'd upon by *Mortimer* as the fittest Place to secure that unfortunate Prince: To which we may add, that our Kings ever entrusting their chiefest Confidants with the Custody of it, farther shews of what Importance it was. Therefore, as this was Demeasne Land of the Crown at the Conquest, we may conclude it continu'd so till King *Edward the 1st* gave it (as he did several hundred Manors) to *Edward Seymour Duke of Somerset*; for I have not met with any entire Alienation before this Reign, except that *George Duke of Clarence*, King *Edward the 4th's* Brother, *Anno 17 Edm. IV*, is said to dye seiz'd of this Manor and Castle; tho' I suppose they might be only assign'd him, as divers other Possessions were, *durante vita, vel beneplacito*; for it is certain after his Death this Castle revert-ed to the Crown, it being repair'd by King *Henry the 7th*. And tho' *Henry the 8th* gave the Profits of this Manor, *Anno Regni 24*, for the better Support of the Dignity of his natural Son *Henry*, whom he then created Duke of *Richmond and Somerset*; yet on his Death, four Years afterwards, that King made no new Disposition of the same. The Patent

Camden's Brit. p. 53.

Dugd. Bar.

Vol. 1. p.

105, 142,

468, 592,

769.

Ibid. Vol.

2. p. 165.

Pat. 3 Ed.
VI. dated
May 24.

Patent wherein this Manor and Castle of Corfe, with the Advowson of the Church, &c. is yielded to the Duke of Somerset and his Heirs, is dated July 23, 1547, 1 Edw. VI; but he forfeiting the same by Attainder about three Years afterwards, the said King Edward leas'd the Premises for a Term of twenty one Years, at a Fee-Farm-Rent of 7*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* to John Miller, Gent. Which expiring in Queen Elizabeth's Reign, she, after Renewal of the same to John Moyle, Gent.

Pat. 14 E.
liz. m. 18.

Anno Regni 14, by Letters Patent dated July the 4th, granted the Perpetuity, after the Expiration of this second Lease, to Christopher Hatton, Esq; (who had probably bought out Moyle's Term.) The Words of this Grant recite the Queen's Gift of the Castle or Lordship of Corfe to Christopher Hatton, Esq, Gentleman-Pensioner, and specify in general all "the said Queen's Hereditaments, lying and "being in Corfe in the Isle of Purbeck, with "the Lead, Iron, and Glass, within and "without the Castle, Parcel of the Possessions of Edward late Duke of Somerset; together with the Advowson and Rectory of Corfe, and Chapel of Kingston thereto annex'd, to have to the said Christopher Hatton and his Heirs for ever." Thirteen Years

Pat. 27 E.
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after which, viz. March 10, 1574, 27 Eliz. I find a farther Confirmation of these Premises to the said Christopher Hatton, under the Title of Sir Christopher Hatton, Kt. In this Charter is moreover a Recital of several ample Privileges, as before specify'd, viz. of being free from Toll; and herein is also a Confirmation to

the Mayor and Burgesſes of Corfe of all the Privileges they ever had; and this may perhaps be the antient Charter they pretended to hold their Liberties by.

That the Manor, &c. of this Borough remain'd in the ſaid Sir Chriſtopher Hatton at the Time of his Death, the following Inquiſition ſetting forth, I ſhall here exhibit it.

'Twas taken Anno 1591, 34 Eliz. in which Year the Jury return'd, That Sir Chriſtopher Hatton, Kt. Knight of the Garter, Lord Chan-

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Mort. in
Cur. Ward.*

cellor of England, who departed this Life Nov. 20. 34 Eliz. was then ſeiz'd of the Manor and Caſtle of Corfe, with the Advowſon of the Rectory of the Church; and that his Nephew, Will. Hatton, alias Newport, Kt. aged twenty ſix Years, Son of Sir John Newport, and Dorothy his Wife, Sir Chriſtopher's Siſter, was his next Heir.

Which ſaid Sir John Newport leaving no Iſſue Male, the greateſt Part of his Eſtate devolv'd, on his Death, to the aforeſaid Sir Chriſtopher's God-ſon, Chriſtopher Hat-

*Dug. Bar.
Vol. 2. p.
468.*

ton, Eſq; Son and Heir of John Hatton, his neareſt Kinfman, made Knight of the Bath at the Coronation of King James the 1ſt; to whom ſucceeded Chriſtopher his Son, advanc'd to the ſame Honour at the Coronation of King Charles the 1ſt; and at length, by Letters Patent dated at Oxford July 29, 19 Caroli I, created a Peer of this Realm, by the Title of Baron Hatton of Kirby, Co. Northampton; which Honour, with the Addition of Viſcount, granted 24 Caroli II, ſurvives ſtill in this Family. However, ſome ſmall Time before the Creation of the firſt

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Lord *Hatton*, this Manor, Castle, and Borough, with the Advowson of the Church, &c. were convey'd to Sir *John Banks*, Kt. Great Grandfather to *John Banks*, Esq; the present Proprietor; a Person of most extraordinary Qualifications, and eminently famous for his great Proficiency in the Law, which deservedly recommended him to be Lord Chief Justice; neither was he less conspicuous for his Charity, Integrity, and Loyalty: To the first of which he gave Testimony by his liberal Settlement of 30*l.* per Annum on the Poor of the Place where he was born, which was at *Keswick*, a Market-Town in *Cumberland*; for the second we have his Enemies Acknowledgments; and of the third the ruin'd Walls of his Mansion-Seat at *Corfe*, is a standing Monument; of which I come now to give some Account.

This worthy Gentleman, finding the Implacableness of the Rebels, and that he could not serve his Majesty King *Charles the First*, in his high Station in the Courts of Justice at *Westminster*, withdrew from thence to *Oxford*, and having garrison'd his House here in Defence of his Royal Master, left his Lady to defend the same, which she bravely did, with the Assistance of several Gentlemen in the Neighbourhood, (among whom was Captain *Wake*, Father to his Grace the Lord Arch-Bishop of *Canterbury*, who is a Native of this County) and vigorously held out, as the Lord *Clarendon* informs us, a long Siege; neither did it come into the Enemies Hands, but by the Treachery of some, who pretending

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pretending to bring in Relief, let in the Rebels that besieg'd it, who thus getting Possession thereof, after having plunder'd it, proceeded farther to the demolishing of this stately Building; the Timber and Lead of which being stript off, and converted to the private Use of some of their Leaders, they next attempted to blow up several of the Walls with Gun-powder; by which Means this noble Seat being reduc'd to Ruins, remains to this Day an Evidence of the Effects of Anarchy and Confusion. When I view'd these Ruins, *December Anno 1700*, soon after my going to the University of *Oxford*, tho' I was not then capable of making any material Observations, yet I was greatly surpriz'd at the thickness of the Walls, and to see huge Pieces of them remov'd, as it were, entire with Gun-powder from the Foundations, and settled down again almost upright: The Inhabitants, as I (then remember, and) have been since inform'd, retain several Stories of the blowing up these Buildings, and pretend to shew where formerly the King and Queen's Apartments were; they also have several Traditions of the Murther of King *Edward*.

These Ruins, as they are vastly large, so their Situation makes them visible at great Distance, in the Country; and, doubtless, the Magnificence, Spaciousness and Strength of this Place, was no small Inducement to Queen *Elfrida's* Cruelty, which, tho' she seem'd by a long Penance to expiate, yet the dismal Effects that ensu'd in this Kingdom,

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like other Instances of this Nature, have been felt by Posterity.

The Circumference of these Buildings are reckon'd near half a Mile, as I learn of those who have travell'd hither, on whom I am, in a great Measure, forc'd to rely for my Account; having been little benefited from any Answers to my Enquiries concerning this Borough, notwithstanding I reserv'd it the last to do, and that I am disappointed herein, and this Work retarded, is no small Concern to me, who now return from remarking the fatal Period of the Building, to set down that of its Owner, Sir *John Banks*, who deceasing the next Year after this Destruction, viz. *December 28, 1644*, at *Oxford*, in the 55th Year of his Age, was bury'd in the Cathedral of that City, belonging to *Christ Church College*, and succeeded by his Son and Heir *Ralph Banks*, Esq; which Gentleman made a Knight soon after the Restoration of King *Charles the II*d; being depriv'd thus of this noble Seat, began a most stately Mansion in *Winbornminster* Parish, call'd *Kingston-Hall*, of which I have spoke somewhat, p. 390; but as this magnificent, costly Building was occasion'd by the demolishing the Castle here, so that Loss is to be farther lamented, on Account of *Corfe's* being destitute of its Manor-Seat, and the Residence of his Family, whose Estate must have been not a little impair'd by so vast an Expence, as well as by Sequestration, &c. in the great Rebellion.

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But to conclude; this Sir Ralph deceasing about the Year 1679, left Issue a Son, nam'd *John Banks, Esq;* who serv'd for this Borough in the eight last Parliaments, and dying *An.* 1714, was bury'd by his Father Sir Ralph, in *Winbornminster Church*; to him succeeded *John Banks, Esq;* his eldest Son, who is, (as already observ'd,) Lord of the Manor, and Patron of the Church of *Corfe-Castle*, which Patronage has attended the Manor for near two hundred Years last past, ever since the Reformation; for, I think, before that the Convent of *Shaftesbury* had some Claim of Presentation.

ELIZABETH.

- 14 P. at West. Edm. Uvedale, Cha. Matthews, Gents.
- 27 at West. Fra. Hawley, Esq; John Clavell, Esq;
- 28 at West. Will. Hatton, Kt. Fra. Hawley, Esq;
- 31 at West. Will. Hatton, Kt. Fra. Hawley, Esq;
- 35 at West. Will. Tate, Kt. Fra. Flower, Esq;
- 39 at West. John Frank, Sam. Hufey, Esq;
- 43 at West. John Dunning, Gent. John Davies, Gent.

JAMES I.

- 1 P. at West. John Hobart, Kt. Edw. Dacombe, Gent.
- 12 at West.
- 18 at West. Tho. Hatton, Kt. Tho. Hammond, Kt.
- 21 at West. Fra. Netterfall, Kt. Peter Osborne, Kt.

CHARLES I.

- 1 P. at West. Peter Osborne, Kt. Fra. Netterhall, Kt.
- 1 at West. Rob. Nappier, Kt. Edw. Dacombe, Esq;
- 3 at West. Fra. Netterfall, Kt. Giles Greene, Gent.
- 15 at West. Hen. Jermin, Esq; Giles Green, Esq;
- 16 at West. John Borlace, Esq; Giles Green, Esq;
- Fra. Chetell, Esq;

CHARLES II.

* In his
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duly elect-
ed, Nat.
Nappier,
Kt.

- 12 P. at West. Ralph Banks, Esq; John Tregonwel, Esq;
13 at West. Ralph Banks, Kt. John Tregonwel, Esq;
31 at West. * Peregrine, Viscount Dumblaine, John
Tregonwel, Esq;
31 at West. Nat. Nappier, Kt. Nat. Bond, Esq;
32 at Oxf. Nat. Nappier, Kt. & Bar. Ric. Fownes, Esq;

JAMES II.

- 1 P. at West. Nat. Nappier, Kt. & Bar. Ric. Fownes, Esq;

WILLIAM & MARY.

- 1 P. at West. Ric. Fownes, Esq; Will. Okeden, Esq;
2 at West. Ric. Fownes, Esq; Will. Culliford, Esq;

WILLIAM III.

† In his
Place, not
duly elect-
ed, Ric.
Fownes,
Esq;

- 7 P. at West. Ric. Fownes, Esq; Will. Culliford, Esq;
10 at West. John Banks, Esq; † Will. Culliford, Esq;
12 at West. John Banks, Esq; Ric. Fownes, Esq;
13 at West. John Banks, Esq; Ric. Fownes, Esq;

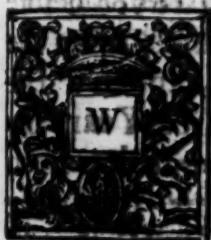
ANNE.

- 1 P. at West. John Banks, Esq; Ric. Fownes, Esq;
4 at West. John Banks, Esq; Ric. Fownes, Esq;
7 at West. John Banks, Esq; Ric. Fownes, Esq;
9 at West. John Banks, Esq; Ric. Fownes, Esq;
12 at West. John Banks, Esq; Ric. Fownes, Esq;

COUNTY



COUNTY OF DURHAM



AS, during the Saxon Heptarchy, a Member of the Kingdom of Northumberland; and, in the Roman Government, the Inhabitants were part of the Brigantes, whose chief

*Camden's
Brit. p. 771*

Towns in this District were *Vimonium, Binschester, Condercum, Chester on the Street, Gabrosentum, Gateshead*. Before the Reformation here were reckon'd fifteen religious Houses; as to the Number of Parishes, *Camden* only tells us, *that in this County, and Northumberland, (the other part of this Diocess,) are an hundred and eighteen, besides a great many Chapels, which has made some Authors, as Blome, and the Present State of England, &c. put down one hundred and eighteen to Durham; and indeed no Person has inform'd us of the particular Number belonging hereto; but, by the best Account I can learn, Durham has eighty Ecclesiastical Livings, whereof Rectories thirty*

*Tanner's
Notit. Mon.
p. 56.*

thirty one, Vicaridges twenty one, and Chapels twenty eight, besides three considerable Hospitals, (not to reckon the Dignities of the Cathedral Church; which has, besides the Bishop, a Dean and Arch-deacon, twelve Prebendaries, eight Canonries, &c.) so that the Parish-Churches will not be found to amount to many more than fifty. The Number of Boroughs are four, viz. Durham, Hartlepool, Stockton and Sunderland; all which are Corporations, and the three first Mayor Towns, tho' no Members were ever sent to Parliament for this County, (unless we reckon those, *An. 1654 and 1656*) before the last Vacancy of this Bishoprick, upon the Death of Bishop Goss, which happen'd the 15th of January 1671, near three Years before the Translation of Bishop Crew hither from Oxford; in which Interval this following Act was made *Anno 1673, 25 Car. II. An Act to enable the County Palatine of Durhams, to send Knights and Burgeses to serve in Parliament.*

Keeble's
Statutes,
p. 1470.

“ **Whereas** the Inhabitants of the County Palatine of Durham, have not hitherto
“ had the Liberty and Privilege of electing
“ and sending any Knights and Burgeses to
“ the high Court of Parliament, although
“ the Inhabitants of the said County Palatine are liable to all Payments, Rates and
“ Subsidies granted by Parliament, equally
“ with the Inhabitants of other Counties,
“ Cities and Boroughs in this Kingdom, who
“ have their Knights and Burgeses in the
“ Parliament, and are therefore concern'd
“ equally

“equally with others the Inhabitants of
“this Kingdom, to have Knights and Bur-
“gessees in the said High Court of Parliament
“of their own Election, to represent the
“Condition of their County, as the Inhabi-
“tants of other Counties, Cities and Bo-
“roughs of this Kingdom have. Wherefore,
“may it please your Majesty, that it may
“be enacted, and be it enacted by the
“King’s most excellent Majesty, by and
“with the Advice and Assent of the Lord’s
“Spiritual and Temporal, and the Commons
“in this present Parliament assembled, and
“by the Authority of the same; that from
“Time to Time, and at all Times from and
“after the End of this present Session of
“Parliament, the said County Palatine of
“*Durham* may have two Knights for the
“same County, and the City of *Durham*
“two Citizens to be Burgessees for the same
“City for ever hereafter to serve in the
“High Court of Parliament; to be elected
“and chosen by virtue of your Majesty’s
“Writ, to be awarded by the Lord Chancel-
“lor, or Lord Keeper of the Great Seal of
“*England*, for the Time being in that be-
“half, to the Lord Bishop of *Durham*, or his
“temporal Chancellor of the said County
“of *Durham*, and a Precept to be thereupon
“grounded and made by the Lord Bishop of
“*Durham*, or his temporal Chancellor for the
“Time being, to the Sheriff of the said Coun-
“ty for the Time being; and the same Electi-
“on from Time to Time to be made in Man-
“ner and Form following, that is to say,
“the

“ the Elections of the Knights to serve for
 “ the said County Palatine from Time to
 “ Time hereafter, to be made by the great-
 “ er Number of Freeholders of the said
 “ County Palatine of *Durham*, which from
 “ Time to Time shall be present at such
 “ Elections, accordingly as us’d in other
 “ Counties in this your Majesty’s Kingdom.
 “ And that the Election of the said Bur-
 “ gesses from Time to Time to serve in the
 “ High Court of Parliament, for the City of
 “ *Durham*, to be made from Time to Time
 “ by the major part of the Mayor, Alder-
 “ men and Freemen of the said City of
 “ *Durham*, which from Time to Time shall
 “ be present at such Elections; which said
 “ Knights and Burgesses, and every of them
 “ so elected and chosen, shall be return’d by
 “ the said Sheriff into the Chancery of *Eng-
 “ land* in due Form, and upon like Pains as
 “ be ordain’d for the Sheriff or Sheriffs of
 “ any other County of this Kingdom, to
 “ make his or their Returns in like Cases;
 “ and that the said Knights and Burgesses,
 “ and every of them so elected and return’d
 “ shall be, by Authority of this present
 “ Act, Knights and Burgesses of the High
 “ Court of Parliament, to all Intents and
 “ Purposes, and have and use the like Voice,
 “ Authority and Places therein, to all In-
 “ tents and Purposes, as any other the
 “ Knights and Burgesses of the said High
 “ Court of Parliament have, use and enjoy;
 “ and likewise shall and may, by virtue of
 “ this present Act, take, use and enjoy all
 “ such

“such and the like Liberties, Advantages,
 “Dignities, and Privileges concerning the
 “said Court of Parliament, to all Intents,
 “Constructions and Purposes, as any other
 “the Knights and Burgeses of the said
 “High Court of Parliament, have taken,
 “had, us’d or enjoy’d, or shall, or may, or
 “ought hereafter to have, take and enjoy.

Pursuant to which, here have been Members return’d ever since for the said County and City. That they were, in this respect, anciently exempted, was owing to the great Power of the Bishops, to whose entire Jurisdiction this whole County was subordinate; and so well fortify’d was it with Privileges, that at the coming in of the Conqueror the Bishop was reputed a Count Palatine, and did engrave upon his Seal, an arm’d Knight holding a naked Sword in one Hand, and the Arms of the See in the other; nay, it was adjudg’d in Law, that the Bishop was to have all Forfeitures and Eschaets within the Liberties of the County of *Durham*, as the King without. In short, the Bishops hereof had the whole Royalty, having their own Court of Judicature, both for Civil and Criminal Causes, and Coinage of Money; but these Privileges have been, in a great Measure, taken off and annex’d to the Crown; the Bishop, however, is still Earl of *Sadberge*, a Place in this Bishoprick, which he holds by Barony. By what Kings Grants, &c. these Prelates were rais’d to such great Powers, may be seen in our Historians,

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Brit. p. 772*

Keeble's
Stat. p. 716

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storians, who inform us, that several of these Liberties were abridg'd by *Henry the VIIIth*, and the whole Bishoprick dissolv'd by *Edward VIth*, in the last Year of his Reign, by Act of Parliament, and restor'd the next Year by *Queen Mary's* repealing it; which being to be seen in our Statute Books, I need not repeat here, my Design being to limit my self to what has been hitherto little treated of, relating to this County, known altogether, and distinguish'd in these Parts by the Title of the Bishoprick; and to instance in the Power which the Bishops of *Durham* exercis'd as *Counts Palatine*, which Title, 'tis probable, they had before the Conquest, for 'tis plain they enjoy'd it then; and tho' by the Ecclesiastical Canons the Clergy were prohibited to be present in Judgment of Blood; yet the Bishop of *Durham* did sit in his Court in purple Robes, and gave Judgment of Death, whence was that old Saying, *Solum Dunelmense Judicat Stola & Ense*. These Bishops had formerly Power to levy Taxes, make Truces with the *Scots* in Time of War, which they generally did by their Barons. A great part of the Land in the Palatinate belong'd to them, and was held of the See *in Capite*; and by several other *Tenures*, all the *Moors* and *Wastes* belong'd to them, and they had *Copyhold* and *Halmoot Courts* held by their *Stewards*, who were generally Persons of good Quality, and granted Power to enclose, and manumitted *Villans* and *Bondsmen*, and made them free. The Bishops had likewise a Mint, and Power of Coinage,

Coinage, and coin'd Money from Richard the 1st's Time, Anno 1196, 'till about the Year 1540; they had the Goods and Chattels of *Felons*, and all Forfeitures of *Outlawries*, and could and did pardon *Felonies*, *Trespases* and *Misprisions*; they reap'd the Profits of *Tenures*, by *Wardships*, *Nonages* and *Liveries*: All Recognizances were entred upon their *Clause Rolls* in their *Chancery*, and made to the Bishops, and in their own Names; they gave Licence, by Charter, to found *Chantries* and *Hospitals*, and made *Boroughs* and *Corporations*, and granted *Markets* and *Fairs*.

The Courts which were held in other Counties in the King's Name, were here held in the Bishop's; and, before the Statute Anno 27 Hen. VIII, they constituted *Justices of Assizes*, of *Oyer and Terminer*, and of the Peace; they issu'd out *Writs*, and appointed Officers by Patent, for Life, or otherwise, viz. *Receivers General*, a *Constable of the Castle of Durham*, a *Great Chamberlain*, and *Under-Chamberlain*, *Secretaries*, *Stewards*, *Treasurer of the Household*, *Comptroller*, *Sheriff*, &c. They had several *Chaces*, *Forests*, *Parks*, *Woods*, &c. and appointed their respective Officers and Coroners in all the *Wards*, or *Divisions* of the County *Palatine*, within which they were *Admirals of the Seas and Waters*, and nominated their *Judges*, *Registraries* and *Commissioners*, for regulating the Management of them, and directed *Commissions* to *Array* defensible Persons within the said Territory, from sixteen to sixty Years of Age. But, to be brief, that

these Privileges have been so exercis'd, and that several are so still, I need not add, except to refer to their Charters now in force in this County.

The *Bishop's Barons* that sat in their *Parliaments*, were the Prior of *Durham*, *Hilton* of *Hilton*, *Conyers* of *Sockburn*, *Bulmer* of *Branspath*; to which others add, *Surrese* of *Dinsdale*, *Hansard* of *Ewenwood*, and *Lumley*, or, as some say, *Ravensthorth*.

At the Time of the Battle of *Leves* there were eighty four *Knights* reckon'd up in the Bishop's Liberties, and there is, amongst the old Rolls of *Durham*, an Account of the said *Parliaments* and *Subsidies* granted them, with several Acts of their Council, which consisted of many 'noble and prudent Persons, call'd *Barons*, but not always the same; they had also their Great Seal, &c.

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Fuller's
Worthies,
p. 299.

I have been longer enumerating these Things because here are no Nobility to treat of, this County having never given Title to any, it being absolutely vested in the Bishop, who is Sheriff Paramount, and appoints his Deputy; which Officer never Accounts in the Exchequer, but makes up his Audit to him; wherefore I might give an Account of the Bishops themselves, in this Place, but that I chuse to refer to *Godwin*, &c. and shall only remark, that seventy Bishops have filled this See, which, on the first Plantation, Anno 635, was at *Lin-disfarne*, or *Holy Island* in *Northumberland*, and that the Removal of it to *Durham* was about the

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the Year 995, in the Time of *Aldwin*, the *Godwyn*
 twenty fourth Bishop, who first fix'd him-^{of Bishops}
 self there, after his Predecessors had wan-^{p. 634}
 dred up and down for two hundred Years;
 upon their being driven from their Church
 at *Lindisfarne*, by the merciless *Danes*, and
 brought to *Durham* the Body of the Ho-
 ly Bishop *Cuthbert*, the tutelar Saint of the
Saxons and *English*, against the *Picts* and
Scots, to whose Honour the Cathedral Church
 was built; and, in Memory of him, the
 whole Bishoprick, styl'd anciently the *Pa-*
trimony of *St. Cuthbert*, was endow'd with
 all these above-mention'd Prerogatives.

CHARLES II.

- 31 P. at West. Rob. Eden, Bar. John Tempest, Esq;
 31 at West. Tho. Fetherston, Esq; Tho. Bowes, Esq;
 32 at Oxf. Will. Bowes, Tho. Fetherstonhaughe, Esq;

JAMES II.

- 1 P. at West. Rob. Byerley, Esq; Will. Lampton, Esq;

WILLIAM & MARY.

- 1 P. at West. Rob. Byerly, Esq; Will. Lampton, Esq;
 2 at West. Rob. Eden, Bar. Will. Lampton, Esq;

WILLIAM III.

- 7 P. at West. Will. Bowes, Kt. Will Lampton, Esq;
 10 at West. Lionel Vane, Esq; Rob. Eden, Bar.
 12 at West. Will. Lampton, Esq; Lionel Vane, Esq;
 13 at West. Lionel Vane, Esq; Will. Lampton, Esq;

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- * In his Place, deceased, John Tempest, Esq;
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| 7 | at West. Rob. Eden, Bart. Will. Vane, Esq; |
| 9 | at West. Will. Lampton, Esq; Rob. Eden, Bart. |
| 12 | at West. John Eden, Esq; John Hedworth, Esq; |

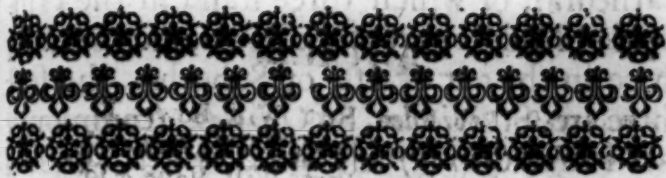


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Saxons Dunholme, from its Si-

tuation on a Hill, surrounded with a River;
Dun, denoting, as we may infer, from *Bede*
Hill, and *Holm* River Island.

The Form of this Town is not improp-
erly compar'd by *R. Hegge*, in his Legend
of St. *Cuthbert*, p. 3. to a Crab, the Market-
Place resembling the Body, and the Streets
the Claws; for these following the Course of
the River, (which runs almost round that
part of the City where the Cathedral and
Bishop's Castle stand) are scarce two of
them join'd together; however, 'tis of good
Extent every Way, its length being either
from North to South, or East to West about
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a Mile, and contains six Churches, besides the Cathedral, of which three stand in the Principal or Middle part of the Town, and the other three in the out Skirts, or Suburbs; the first three are, *St. Nicolas*, *St. Oswalds*, (commonly call'd *Elvet Church*) and *St. Margaret*, (known by the Name of *Cross-gate Church*;) and the other three are here distinguish'd by the Titles of *Gilly-gate*, *North* and *South Bayly Churches*, tho' their true Names are, *St. Gyles*, *St. Mary the Great*, and *St. Mary the Less*; of which in their Order.

St. Nicolas, the City Church, as standing in the Market-Place, has under it the Market-Place, *Sadler-street*, *Claypetb* and *Silver-street*; in it were formerly two Guilds, viz. *Corpus Christi*, and our *Lady Guild*, and five Chuntries, viz. *St. Mary*, *St. James*, the *Trinity*, *St. John Baptist* and *Evangelist*, and *St. James* and *St. Andrew*; the Rectory was, by *Bishop Nevil*, annex'd to the Hospital of *Kepper*, the Owners of which are the Impropiators.

St. Oswald has belonging to it *Old* and *New Elvet*, *Hallgarth-street*, *Church-street*, and some Places in the Country; and herein were three Chuntries, viz. *St. Mary*, *St. John Baptist* and *Evangelist*, and the *Holy Rood*, and a Guild of the *Trinity*.

St. Margaret is a parochial Chapel to *St. Oswald* and has under it *Cross-gate*, *Framwell-street*, *South-street*, and some Places in the Country, as *St. Giles* likewise has, besides *Gilligate*; and to *St. Mary's the Less* belongs *South Bayly*, and to *St. Mary's the Great*, call'd also *Bom Church*, because (before the present Fabrick

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was neatly rebuilt, the Steeple of the old Church stood on an Arch crossing the Street) belongs *North Bayly*, whose Liberties extend from the College Gates to the Goal, and so from *Owen Gate* to the *College Green*.

But besides these Churches, here were founded, on *Elvet Bridge*, two Chapels, one to St. James, erected by *Lewinus Brugensis*, temp. Hen. III, now part of the House of Correction; and the other dedicated to St. Andrew, by William, Son of *Absalom*, temp. Edw. I.

At the South End of the Town, on a rising Ground, stands the Cathedral, a stately Building (of which anon) adorn'd with a fine Cloister on its South Side, formerly glaz'd with painted Glass: It is bounded on the East with part of the cross Isle of the Church, the old Library and Chapter-House, and part of the Deanary; and, at the West, with the Dormitory, under which are the Treasury and Song-House; and, on the South, with the new Library, a large, lightsome Building, begun by Dean Sudbury, about the Year 1680, on the Site where the old Fraternity Room, or common Refectory of the Convent stood.

Southward from this, is the College, a spacious Court, about which the Prebends Houses are built; and at the East End is the Exchequer, above the College-Gate; and at the West was the Guest-Hall, for the Entertainment of Strangers, and near it the Granary, and other Offices of the Convent.

On the North Side the Cathedral is the College-School, with a House for the Master,

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and between the Church-yard and Castle is an open *Area*, call'd the *Palace Green*, *West* of which is the *Shire-Hall*, where the *County Assizes* and *Sessions* are held, and near it a fair *Library* built by *Bishop Cosin*, and the *Exchequer* built by *Bishop Nevill*, in which the *Offices* belonging to the *County Palatine Courts* are kept.

On the *East* is an *Hospital*, built and endowed by *Bishop Cosin*, and two *Schools* founded by *Bishop Langley*, new-built by *Bishop Cosin*, at each End of his *Hospital*.

On the *North Side* is the *Castle*, or *Bishop's Palace*, the *Tower* of which standing on a little *Hill*, was heretofore chief part of the *Dwelling-House*, but in the *Time* of the *Great Rebellion*, begun *Anno 1641*, the *Lead-Roof*, and a great deal of the *Timber* being taken away, it has not been since apply'd to that *Use*. The chief *Benefactors* to this *Palace* were, *Bishop Fox*, who built the stately *Kitchen*, and all the *Offices* at that End of the *House*; *Bishop Tunstall*, who built the fair *Gallery*, *Chapel* and *Gate-House*; *Bishop Cosin*, who, after the *Restoration*, repair'd its *Ruins*, and made the large and beautiful *Stair-Case*, since when, his *Successor*, the present *Bishop*, the *Lord Crew*, has, at great *Expence*, added much to the *Convenience* and *Beauty* of the whole.

As to the other publick *Buildings*, we must reckon the outward *Gate-House* of this *Castle*, now made use of for a *Goal*, and the *Toll-Booth*, near *St. Nicolas Church* in the *Market-Place*, built by *Bishop Tunstall*; and the *Cross* and *Conduit*

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Conduit erected there by *Thomas Emerson*, Steward to the Family of the *Nevills*, An. 1617; which noble Family, I find, by an old Will, An. 1440, possess'd of divers Messuages, &c. in *Villa & Burgo Dunelm*; to these may be added the two Bridges over the *Elvet*, one built by Bishop *Pudsey*, and the other by Bishop *Flambard*. Madox's
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The City of *Durham* is govern'd by a Mayor and twelve Aldermen, and as many Common Council Men, who have a Recorder and other Sub-Officers. The Choice of Members of Parliament is in the Corporation, Citizens, and Freemen, who, at a Poll taken, Anno 1710, were upwards of a thousand. It was first incorporated (as I learn) by Bishop *Hugh Pudsey*, temp. Ric. I, who granted to his Burgesses of *Durham*, that they should be free from Toll, and have the same free Privileges as the Town of *Newcastle*. The ancient Government was by Bailiffs, appointed by the Bishop, who were styl'd *Ballivi Burgi Dunelm*; which, in the Time of Bishop *Nevill*, begun to be call'd *Ballivi Civitatis Dunelm*; and in his Time there is Mention of an Alderman of *Durham*; by which Name of Alderman and Burgesses, Bishop *Pilkington*, Anno 18 Eliz. by Charter incorporated this Place, appointing *Christopher Surtis*, Gent. Alderman, and twelve Burgesses, to assist him; which twelve were to chuse other twelve, who, together with them, were yearly to chuse an Alderman, on October 4. An. 44. Eliz.

Bishop *Matthew* chang'd the Name of Aldermen, into that of Mayor, and of Burgesses to Aldermen; which Liberties being

surrender'd to Bishop Crew, 25 Aug. 1684, he gave them a new Charter, dated March 7, 1684, 1 Jac. II. The Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty, by the Recorder and Town-Clerk hold a Court-Leet and Court-Baron within the City, which is sty'd, the Court of the Right Reverend Father in God, N. Lord Bishop of Durham, held before A. B. Mayor, and C. D. Recorder. They keep also a Court of Pye-Powder on their Fairs, and pay about 20 l. per Ann. Toll to the Bishop for the same, or to whom he demises it by Lease of three Lives.

Here are three Manors in this City, first, the Bishop's Manor, viz. the City Liberties, last spoken of, and the Bayly, which is held of him by Service of guarding the Castle. Secondly, the Dean and Chapter's Manor, in the Elvets, Cross-Gate, and South-Gate-Street; this belong'd formerly to the Convent, before the Dissolution, and is said to have been restor'd to them by Bishop Pudsey, who is reported *fecisse pontem de Elnete & Burgum*. The third Manor, call'd Gilligate, was formerly Parcel of the Possessions of the dissolv'd Hospital of Kepyar, near this City, which was granted, by Edward the Vith, to John Cockburne, Lord of Ormestone, in Fee, who conveyed the same to John Heath, Esq; from whose Family it descended in Marriage to the Grand-father of John Tempest, Esq; the present Owner.

Having thus treated of this City from some Collections communicated to me by a very worthy Gentleman, I come to present the

the Reader with *Leland's* Observations; with which, and the Description of the Cathedral, I shall sum up what else I have to remark, referring the more Curious to *J. Davies's* Book, call'd, *The ancient Rites and Monuments of the Cathedral Church of Durham*, publish'd, Anno 1672; which is very exact in pointing to the Burial-Places of the Bishops and Priors, several of whose Tombs could not be found, but by his Direction, by Reason the Inscriptions, &c. have been by sacrilegious Hands defac'd: But besides this, there has been a great deal publish'd of *Durham Cathedral* and its Bishops, and printed in the *Decem Scriptores*, and *Wharton's Anglia Sacra*, Tom. 1. from whence a very good History of the same may be compil'd; wherefore, what I here add shall only be by way of Extract, as afore specify'd.

To begin with *Leland*: That learned Antiquary, speaking of *Durham*, tells us,
 " That it standeth on a rocky Hill, as you
 " come to it from *Tork*, and the Water so
 " windeth about from *Elvet*, a great Stone-
 " Bridge of fourteen Arches, to *Framgate*
 " Bridge of three, that within an Arrow-
 " Shot 'tis brought in *Insulam*; and that the
 " *Minstre Close*, and highest part of the Hill,
 " is well wall'd, and hath divers fair Gates;
 " and the Church it self, and Cloister, is
 " fair and strong: At the very *East* End of the
 " Church is a Cross-Isle, besides the mid-
 " dle Cross-Isle; that the Castle standeth
 " on the *North-East* Side of *Were* River, which
 " runneth under it; and that the *Kepe* (or
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Leland's
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 p. 63, 64.

" great Tower) standeth aloft, and is state-
 " ly built of eight-square Fashion, and
 " four Highes (or Stories) of Lodging; that
 " Bishop Fox did much Reparation of the
 " Dungeon, and made beside in the Castle
 " a new Kitchin, with Offices, and many
 " pretty Chambers; and that Bishop Tun-
 " stall did Cost on the Dungeon, and built
 " a goodly Gallery, and stately Stair-Case
 " to it, and made an exceeding strong Iron
 " Gate. He also informs us, that in this
 " part of *Durham Town*, which is almost
 " inclos'd with the River, there be three Pa-
 " rish-Churches, and three more in the Su-
 " burbs; and that the greatest Suburb is
 " by *Elvet Bridge*, where are certain small
 " Streets; and that the Suburb of *Framgate*
 " leads to *Newcastle*; and that the Build-
 " ings of the Town are strong, but neither
 " high, nor of costly Work; that in the
 " Sanctuary, or Church-yard, on the South
 " Side of the Minstre, lye ancient Tombs;
 " and at the Head of one of them is a
 " Cross seven Foot long, with an Inscrip-
 " tion of divers Rows (or Lines), but the
 " Inscription cannot be read; and that it is
 " reported to have been brought out of the
 " holy Church-yard of *Lindisfarne*.

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 Notit. Mo-
 nast. p. 57.

In the Cathedral Church of *Durham*, at
 first founding, there were plac'd secular
 Priests by Bishop *Aldwin*, *Ann.* 995; which,
 by Bishop *Will. de Carilepbo*, were, *Anno*
 1083, chang'd into Monks; ten Years after
 which, viz. *Anno* 1093, a new Cathedral
 was begun on the 11th of *August*, by this
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Bishop William. He, with Malcolm King of the Scots, and Prior Turgot, laying the three first Stones. The Revenues of this Convent, at the *Dissolution*, were rated at 1366 l. 10 s. 5 d. p. An. Dugdale 1615 l. 14 s. 10 d. Speed. Out of which, K. Hen. VIII. establish'd the present Endowment by Charter, bearing date May 16, Anno Regni 23, and therein appointed as follows, to this new Chapter, (whose Valuations not being specify'd in the *Valor Beneficiorum*, or any other printed Accompts, I shall here insert) viz. Deanery, 284 l. 4 s. 8 d. Twelve Prebendaries, each 32 l. 5 s. 10 d. Twelve Minor-Canons, each 10 l. Deacon, 6 l. 6 s. 4 d. Sub-deacon, 6 l. 6 s. 4 d. Sixteen Lay-Singing-Men, each 6 l. 6 s. 8 d. School-Master, 11 l. Usher, 6 l. 6 s. 8 d. Master of the Choiristers, 9 l. 15 s. Divinity-Reader, 20 l. Eight Alms-Men, 6 l. 13 s. 4 d. Eighteen Schollars, 3 l. 6 s. 8 d. Ten Choiristers, 3 l. 6 s. 8 d. Two Virgers, 6 l. Two Porters, 6 l. Two Cooks, 5 l. Two Butlers, 5 l. Two Sacristarys, 6 l. each, &c.

Leland's
Collectanea, Vol. 3.
p. 200.

As to a Description of this Cathedral, 'tis a large and magnificent Pile of Building, being in Length 137 Yards, i. e. 411 Feet, in Breadth 26 Yards and a Half, i. e. about eighty Feet, having in the Middle a spacious Cross-Isle; in Length, from North to South, 56 Yards and a Half, i. e. 170 Feet, and two smaller ones, at the Extremity at each End: In that at the West End was the Chapel of our Lady, call'd, *The Gallilee*, where was the Shrine of Venerable Bede: The Outside Front of this Part was adorn'd with
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two handsome leaden Spire-Steeples, whose Towers still remain; in the *Northern* of which were four large Bells, serving to the Use of this Part of the Church, before the *Reformation*; soon after which, three of them were hung up in the Great Tower in the Middle, and added to three other Bells formerly belonging to that Steeple, to prevent their Alienation, at the Cost of Dr. *Tho. Spark*, *Suffragan Bishop of Berwick*, formerly a Monk of this Convent; who made to them a good Chime, which was in Being, I presume, 'till very lately, when the said Bells were, about twenty Years ago, cast into Eight.

The Length of this lower Cross-Ile, is about 33 *Tards*, or 100 *Feet*; and of that at the *East End*, 44 *Tards*, or 132 *Feet*; and the Height of the Middle Tower, 70 *Tards and a Half*, or 212 *Feet*. The whole Building is strongly vaulted and supported by large Pillars, and has several curious Windows in it. The Wainscot of the Choir is well wrought, the Organ large and good, the Font of Marble, and a handsome Screen at the Entrance into the Choir, which is 117 *Feet* in Length, and 33 in Breadth.

Having given the Demensions of the Church and Tower, I shall refer to the Draughts for the outward Building, viz. Of the *West* and *East* Prospects, and *North Side*, publish'd by *King*, which last is newly engraven on a large Sheet, and will give a much better Idea of the Out-Work than any Description I can impart, as the afore-said Book of *J. Davies*, collected out of an-

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cient MSS wrote about the Time of the Suppression, will shew the several Offices and Apartments belonging to this Convent, and the Ornaments bestow'd on the Church, and Costliness of the Shrines; together with the Names of the Bishops and Priors bury'd in the Church and Chapter-House; the former of which, I shall beg Leave to speak of, and to describe some of the inside Ornaments and Tombs in the Church, with which I shall begin at the Upper or East End, beyond the Choir, remarkable for that in no other Cathedral Church, is a Cross Isle at the Extremity thereof: This Part was formerly call'd the Nine Altars; for that in the Front, facing the Church, were so many erected, viz. four on the North Part, and as many on the South, and one in the Middle, which was, no doubt, the most beautiful of all, because dedicated to St. Cuthbert, and the Nearness of his rich Shrine to it. In the Middle of this Building was a most curious East Window, call'd the Catherine Wheel, or St. Catherine's Window, comprehending all the Breadth of the Choir, compos'd of twenty four Lights; and at the South End was painted in another Window, call'd St. Cuthbert's, the Life and Miracles of that Saint; and opposite, on the North Side, was a third fair Window, call'd Joseph's Window, having in it all the History of Joseph painted in the Glass. In this North Isle was entomb'd Anthony Beak, the 42^d Bishop of this See, the first that attempted to be bury'd out of the Chapter-House in the Abby-
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Church, or lie near *St. Cuthbert*, he dy'd *Anno 1311*. And in the *South Isle* is a Monument for Bishop *Richard Bury*, who dy'd *Anno 1345*; and near the High Altar, at the upper End of the Choir, was a Monument for his Predecessor, Bishop *Lewis de Bella Monte*, under a flat Tomb, curiously inlaid with Brass, 15 Feet long, and 10 broad; and at his Head, Bishop *Pilkinton*, who dy'd *Anno 1578*.

On the *North Side* of the Choir is Bishop *Shirley's* Monument, who dy'd *Anno 1406*; and in the *South Isle*, near the Bishop's Throne, (erected by the present Bishop) lies Bishop *Hatfield*, Successor to *Richard de Bury*, under a stately Tomb of Alabaster; and near the Deans Seat, under a Marble, Dr. *John Sudbury*, late Dean, who dy'd *Anno 1684*, having been Dean twenty Years.

Being now advanc'd to the End of the Choir, into the second or Middle Cross Isle, which supports the noble high Tower, the first Tomb I shall observe, is that of *John Fosse*, at the upper End of this Isle: He dy'd *Anno 1374*, and was the first Prior whose Bones were deposited in this Church, his Predecessors being bury'd in the Cemetary, or Centry-Garth. This Prior made the fair and large Window (the second in the Church) at the End of this Isle, call'd the *Four Doctors*, because therein was painted the Portraiture of the *Blessed Virgin*, with so many Monks or Doctors praying to her; and near him were interr'd in this Isle, *John Washington* and *Robert Berrington*, Priors; as have been also *George Lightfoot*, Esq; 1613.

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Thomas Humble, 1623 *Edward Kirby*, Precentor, 1688.

In the South Isle, opposite to it, lye *John Hemmingbrough*, *Will. Ebchester*, and *Robert Ebchester*, Priors, and *Gabriel Clerk*, Sub-Dean, and Arch-Deacon of *Northumberland*, bury'd Anno 1662; *Tho. Musgrave*, D. D. Dean of *Carlisle*, and Prebend of this Church, 1686; *Tho. Cradock*, Esq; 1689; and at the upper End of this Isle is the Clock, and over it the *Te Deum* Window, call'd so from the Paining of the Myſtery of that Hymn in the Glass.

In the Middle, under the Tower, are several Stones, viz. of *Dulcibella Morton*, and her Children, and *Dr. Ric. Wrench*, Prebend, who dy'd Anno 1675; *Tho. Blakiston*, who dy'd Anno 1710, and *Robert Swift*, Chancellor to *Bishop Pilkington*, and *Richard Stobert*, who dy'd Anno 1610.

In the Body of the Church lye *Tho. Castell*, *John Aukland*, and *John Burnley* Priors, with about seven other Persons of no great Note, bury'd there about 100 Years ago; and between the Pillars on the South Side, are two Monuments, which comprize two Arches of the Church; they are ſeperated from it at either End by a Wall, and on each Side with Iron Rails. Herein are two Tombs, of *Ralph Lord Nevill*, and *Alice* his Wife, the first ſecular Persons bury'd in this Cathedral; he dy'd 1361, ſhe 1374; and of *John Lord Nevill* his Son, and *Elizabeth* his Wife, he dy'd Anno 1389, ſhe 1396; the uppermost of them, next the Choir, is ſup-

pos'd to be the Father's, and the other the Son's: In this Chapel lyes also Bishop Nevill, of this Family, who dy'd Anno 1457; and

In the South Alley, one — Ewbank, Rector of Ryton in this County. In this Part of the Church stands the Font of White Marble, with a stately Canopy over it, of Wainscot curiously carv'd, supported by four Pillars.

I come now to the lowest Division, call'd the *Gallilee*, which I make the third Cross-Isle, tho' it projecteth little farther than the Side-Isles, viz. not above 10 Feet on each Side; wherefore it may not so properly be reckon'd a Cross-Isle, but that I conceiv'd it would better illustrate the Description of the several Parts. This *Gallilee*, in which the *Consistory Court* is now kept, was built by Bishop Pudsey, for Women to hear divine Service in, they not being allow'd to go up farther than the Line of Marble beside the Font: In it were three Altars, the first of our *Lady of Pity*, from the Picture of the blessed *Virgin* taking our Saviour down from the Cross; it stood on the North, and was a Chantry. The second was likewise an *Altar of our Lady*, to which belong'd another Chantry, where Mass was duly sung by the Master of the singing School, founded by Bishop Langley, who is bury'd before this Altar, under a large Marble; he was Predecessor to Bishop Nevill, and dy'd Anno 1406. The third Altar, on the South Side, was dedicated to St. Bede, before which, is

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his Tomb, cover'd with a Marble Stone; and upon the Wall is hung up a Table in Memory of him, containing a long Character of his great Worth, done by a modern Hand; and not far from this is another Table, in Memory of Dr. Ric. Hunt, Dean of this Church, who dy'd Anno 1628, both too long to be inserted.

I now have gone thro' the Tombs in the Abby, or Cathedral Church, especially of the Bishops, &c. from the Account I have receiv'd of them; to which, of the Bishops, I think proper to add, (because it may not be so well known) that Bishop *Toussal*, who dy'd temp. *Eliz.* was bury'd in *Lambeth Church*, near *London*; and Bishop *George Mortein*, who dy'd Anno 1628, in *Camood Church* in *Yorkshire*, where he was born; Bishop *John Howson*, in *St. Paul's Cathedral* at *London*; and his Successors, the worthy Dr. *Morton* in *Easton Mauduit Church* in *Northamptonshire*, and Bishop *Cosins*, in a stately Chapel of his own erecting, at the Episcopal Palace at *Aukland* in this County. For the rest of their Burials, let the Reader consult *Godwin* and *Wharton's Anglia Sacra*, &c. and *Anthony a Wood*; which last Author tells us, that Bishop *Barnes*, who dy'd Anno 1589, was bury'd in the Choir of this Cathedral Church, as was Bishop *James* Anno 1617, whose Inscriptions, if they were bury'd there, I presume being decay'd, occasion'd them to be overlook'd or forgotten.

I might now descend to give an Account of the Tombs in the Chapter-house, where-

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in were interr'd sixteen Bishops; but since that is to be seen in the Rights of the Cathedral of *Durham* afore-mention'd, pag. 93 and 94, and in *Wharton's Anglia Sacra*, &c. I shall pass it by, having been already over-tedious in my Account, considering the Compals of my Design. This Chapter-house is a stately Room, arch'd over with Stone, containing about 25 Yards in Length, and 11 Yards in Breadth; at the upper End is a fair Seat, where the Bishops are install'd.

The Cathedral, now in Being, was begun Anno 1093, as afore-observ'd, by *William de Carilepho*, and finish'd, by his next Successor *Ranulphus Flambard*; but it was not brought to Perfection 'till *Nicolas Farnham* was Bishop, and *Tbo. Welfcombe* Prior, about the Year 1244, as may be seen in *Gadwin* and *Davies*. Before the Reformation, the Stile of it was, *Ecclesia Sancte Marie & Sancti Cuthberti*: But by King *Hen. VIII's* Foundation, 'tis call'd, in his Statutes, *Ecclesia Cathedralis Christi & Beatae Mariae*. As this Church has escap'd alienating its Revenues the best of any of our Cathedrals, so for Hospitality and Decency in all publick Administration of divine Offices, Beauty, and Ornaments, such as costly Plate, rich Copes, &c. it surpasseth all others in *England*.

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SINCE the Printing off the foregoing Sheets, I having (by transmitting most of them abroad) procur'd some Corrections, crave Leave to insert them here among the most considerable Errata's of the Press, and also to exhibit some Records by Way of Appendix.

County of CORNWALL.

Page 7. line 22. p. 661. read p. 621.

Rex, &c. Sciatis quod cum nos Personam dilecti et fidelis nostri Edwardi, Comitis Cestræ, Filii nostri primogeniti, honorare volentes, eidem Filio nostro Nomen et Honorem Ducis Cornubiæ, &c. in presenti Parlamento nostro apud Westmonasterium, Die Luna proximo post Festum Sancti Matthiæ Apostoli, proximum præteritum Convocatum existente dederimus, &c. Et ut ipse Statum et Honorem Ducis decentius, &c. valeat continere, &c. Dederimus, &c. eidem Filio nostro, &c. Vicecomitatum Cornubiæ, cum pertinentiis, et Castrum, Burgum, Manerium, et Honorem de Launceneton, cum Parco ibidem, &c. in Comitatu Cornubiæ, &c. Castrum et Manerium de Tremerton, cum Villa de Saltesh, ac Parco ibidem, &c. Castrum, Burgum, et Manerium, de Tyntagel, &c. Penlyn, cum Parco ibidem, &c. Lyskiret, cum Parco ibidem, &c. et Villam de Lostwithiel in eodem Comitatu, cum Molendinis ibidem et aliis Pertinentiis suis, ac Prisas et Custumas nostras Vinorum in eodem Comitatu Cornubiæ, necnon omnia Proficua Portuum nostrorum infra eundem Comitatum Cornubiæ ad nos spectantia, simul cum Wrecco Maris, tam de Balena et Sturione, et aliis Piscibus quæ ad nos, ratione Prærogativæ nostræ, spectant, &c. Necnon Stannarium nostrum in eodem Comitatu Cornubiæ, unacum Cunagio ejusdem Stannariæ, &c. concessimus, &c.

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quod prefatus Dux, et ipsius ac Heredum suorum, Regum Angliæ filii, primogeniti Duces dicti loci, &c. habeant Returra omnium Brevium nostrorum et Heredum nostrorum, &c. in prædicto Comitatu Cornubiæ. Ita quod nullus Viccomes, vel alius Ballivus, seu Minister noster vel Heredum nostrorum, Terras vel Tenementa, seu Feoda illa ingrediatur ad Executionem eorundem Brevium, &c. Dat. &c. apud Westmonasterium 18 Die Martii. Cart. Anno 11. E. 3. m. 24. n. 53.

Bor. of Dunheved, alias Launceston, "Contains
"about 200 Houses. Here is a Free-School, to
"which the Possessor of the Duchy of Cornwall
"allows 17 l. per Annum, and one Mr. Baron has
"given 10 l. per Annum more. On the North Side
"of the Castle, is an old Tower built upon a
"Rock, and a Mount rais'd on it above 100 Foot.

Bor. of Leskard "Contains about 500 Houses; has a
"good Church, having two Isles, (the Body sup-
"ported by high Pillars) and a Chancel, and
"Tower at the West End.

Bor. of Lostwithiel. P. 38. in the Margin, *Madox's Hist. of the Exchequer*, p. 272, make p. 274. Ibid. It's said, "That Rob. de Cardinan gave ten Marks, that he might have a Market at *Lostwithiel*.
Robertus de Cardinan debet decem Marcas pro habendo Foro apud Lostwitel. Mag. Rot. 6. Ric. 1. Rot. 12. a. m. 2. Cornuwallia.

The Church has a Body and two low Isles, a low Tower with a Spire; the Town is situated between Hills. Boats of ten or twenty Tuns come up hither. Here are about 70 Houses; and the Manor is in the Duchy.

Bor. of Truro. P. 46. in the Margin, *Parl. Jur. et Assum.* make *Plura. Jur. et Assu.*
"Has one Church in it dedicated to *St. Mary*;
"and half a Mile out of Town is a Church call'd
"*St. Clement.* In *St. Mary's* Church is a Monu-

ment of the Earl of Radnor's. In King James
the 1st's Time, the Bassetts were Lords of Truro,

now the Earl of Radnor, Mr. Edgecombe, Sir John
Se. Mubyn, and Mr. Vincent. Here are regular

Streets, and a large Market House; and the chief
Coinage and Port for Tin in this County, is held

in this Town, which contains about 300 Houses.
The Mayor is here annually chosen Dec. 8;

if it falls on a Sunday, Dec. 9; at which Time
the Lords demand the Maces of the Corporati-

on, to whose Stewards they are deliver'd by the
Mayor till an Acknowledgment of 6 d. is paid

for every House in the Town, by Way of Ho-
mage; which, when done, they are deliver'd

back to the Corporation.

Bar. of Bodmin. P. 59. "The Spire-Steeple of the
Church here, was not thrown down by Light-

ning, till within these sixteen Years, (when lit-
tle Damage was done, save breaking one of the

Bells:) 'Twas of Stone, and computed 100
Foot in Height. Here are several Lords of the

Manor since the Dissolution of the Priory, but
no chief Lord. The Town contains about 300

Houses, and has several Manors here, but the
largest belongs to the Lord Mubyn. Here is 10 l.

per Annum paid to the Free-School by the Duke
of Cornwall, and 10 l. more by the Corporation.

Bar. of Helston. P. 67. vide Charter of Helston in Bra-
dy of Boroughs, p. 15, in his Appendix.

The Charter of Leasing this Town to the Bur-
gessees, is as follows:

Johannes Dei Gratia, &c. Sciatis nos concessisse,
&c. Burgensibus nostris de Helleston Villam de Helle-

ston, cum Pertinentiis ad Firmam, per antiquam Fir-
mam et Debitam, et de Cremenio quatuor Librarum

habendum et tenendum, quamdiu nobis bene et fide-
liter servierint, et Firmam suam bene reddiderint, red-

dendo Firmam suam per Mannus suas ad Scaccaria no-
stra, scilicet medietatem ad Pasche, et aliam medietat-

em ad Festum Sancti Michaelis. Et sciendum quod

Robarts

Cremetum tale erit quale est Firma. Teste Simone de Pateshull, apud Dorcestriam, 18 Aprilis. Cart. Anno 2. Johannis, p. 1. m. 50.

The Fairs here kept, now, are five, viz. the Saturday before Midlent-Sunday, Whit-Monday, July 9, August 29. and October 28.

Bor. of Saltashe. P. 78. "The Deed whereby Henry Pomeray releas'd his Right and Title to the Castle of Tremerton, is now in Possession of Gilbert Pomeray, Esq; of Sandridge, near Dartmouth, Com. Devon, the last Heir Male of this Family.
"The Tower stands on the North Side the Chapel, almost at the East End. Here was formerly another Chapel dedicated to St. Faith, which is now a Ruin. The Town contains about 180 Houses, and consists of three Streets.

Bor. of Camelford. P. 84. "The Charter of Incorporation, is said to be granted by King Charles 1; and the Manor of the Borough, to be held by the Corporation of the Duchy of Cornwall, to which it belongs. Here was formerly a Chapel, which is reported to have been converted into a Dwelling-House, tho' 'tis not known here to what Saint it was dedicated.
"Here is only one Street of ordinary Building.

Bor. of Portpigham, alias Westlow. P. 88. l. 2. lyes, make lye; l. 5. as you enter Cornwall from Devonshire, in your Way, read in travelling the Post-Road from Plymouth.

P. 91. l. 13. daden, read dated.

P. 93. Par. 1. Fa. 1. at West. for Will. Waade, Lientenant of the Tower, read Geo. Harvy, Kt. Lientenant of the Tower, Henry Goodier, Kt.

"Is a Dutchy-Manor vested in the Corporation, which pays 24 s. per Annum to the Duchy. It is situated between two Hills, and has just Room for the Houses to stand in. The Chapel is converted into a Town-Hall.

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Bor. of Grampound. P. 97. "The two ancient Fairs,
 "granted by Charter Anno 1332, are yet held;
 "the one *June 11*, on the Festival of *St. Barnabas*;
 "and the other *January 18*, which is the Anni-
 "versary of *St. Peter in Cathedra*. The Chapel
 "here is without Dedication or Monuments;
 "Number of Houses are about 60, very mean,
 "lying in one Street.

Bor. of Eastlow. "The Borough is vested in the Cor-
 "poration, they paying yearly 4 l. Quit-Rent.
 "Tis a Manor of the Duchy, settled, *inter alia*,
 "by King *William* on the Lord *Somers*. The
 "Parliament-Men are chosen by the Mayor, 8
 "capital Burgesses, and 68 Free-Men. The Town
 "lies under a high steep Hill, and contains about
 "220 Houses. No Monuments in the Chapel.
 Dele Anno 7 Will. 3. these Members Names, viz.
James Vernon, Esq; *Alex. Pendarvis*, Esq; and in-
 stead thereof insert *Charles Trelawny*, Esq; *Henry*
Trelawny, Esq;

Bor. of Penryn. P. 111. Par. 7 Will. 3. at West.
James Vernon, Esq; *Alex. Pendarvis*, Esq;
 P. 110. "The Parish-Church, call'd *Gluvias*,
 "is small, without Monuments; the Collegiate
 "Church, dedicated to *St. Mary Glasney*, was ve-
 "ry large, and the Tower high, but now
 "scarce any Remains of it. Here is a Mayor,
 "eight Aldermen, and twelve Assistants. The
 "Town contains about 250 Houses, has one broad
 "Street, and some little ones; a good Key and
 "Port; Number of Electors about 120, paying
 "Scott and Lott.

Bor. of Tregoney. P. 115. dele the Return An. 1 Eliz.
 P. 116. in the Margin, Co. Oxon, read Co. Corn-
 wall, and rectify the References Anno 9 Anne, in
 making || for T, and T for ||, the Marks being
 mistaken.
 "Number of Electors about 140 Pot-Wallers,
 "and Number of Houses about 70. Here is only
 "one mean Street, at the End of which is the

" Church dedicated to St. James, now a Ruin, in
 " the Parish of Cady. Here is no Chapel; 'twas
 " incorporated by King James I, and has a Mayor
 " and seven capital Bargeses.

Bor. of Boffinney. P. 122. omitted the 2d Parliament
 held Anno 31. Cha. 2, and the Members Names,
viz. William Coryton and John Tregegle, Esqrs;

" The Mayor, or Headborough, is elected the
 " 10th of October, if not on a Sunday. Here are
 " two Leets, or Law-Courts annually, the first
 " Monday after Easter Sessions, and the other in
 " October. Number of Electors 22, which are li-
 " mited to the Freeholders within the Borough,
 " admitted by the Grand Jury at one of the Leets.
 " The Festival of St. Faith is celebrated here Oct.
 " 6; about which Time is yet a Fair held here.
 " The old Charter of this Borough is as follows.

*Rex omnibus ad quos, &c. Salutem. Inspeximus
 Litteras Patentes Ricardi nuper Comitis Pictaviae et
 Cornubie, Burgenfibus Villa de Tyntajoil, factas in
 hac verba. Omnibus ad quos prefens Scriptum per-
 venerit, Ricardus, Comes Pictaviae et Cornubie,
 Salutem. Noverit Universitas vestra nos concessisse,
 et hac presenti Carta nostra confirmasse, quod Bur-
 gens noster de Tyntajoil liber sit, et omnes Burgenfes
 de eodem Burgo, & omnes Homines ad Libertatem
 ejusdem Burgi pertinentes, liberi sint ubicunque fue-
 rint, et quieti, per totam terram nostram Cornubie,
 de Pontagio et Scallagio, et ceteris Libertatibus om-
 nibus gaudeant, quibus gaudent Burgenfes nostri de
 Dounheved; et quod qualibet die Mercurii cujuslibet
 Septimana habeant apud Tyntajoil quoddam Mercat-
 um; et quod habeant quolibet anno quasdam Nundi-
 nas apud Tyntajoil, in Octabis Sancti Michaelis,
 duraturas per tres Dies, scilicet in Vigilia Sanctae Fi-
 dis, et in Festo et in Crastino Sanctae Fidis. Et in hu-
 jus rei Testimonium, ejisdem Burgenfibus has Litteras
 nostras fieri fecimus Patentes; Hinc Testibus, Domino
 Andrea de Cancell, Domino Gwydone de Sancto
 Amando, Petro Britone, Domino Yvone Johanne
 filio Thomae, Ricardo de Puncharden, Willielmo*

de Moium, Roberto de Estball Clerico, et multis alijs. Nos autem Libertates et Franchisias predictas, pro nobis et Hereditibus nostris, quantum in nobis est, acceptamus, approbamus, ratificamus, et prefatis Burgensibus de Tintajoil tenore presentium concedimus et confirmamus, prout Carta predicta rationabiliter testatur, et prout iidem Burgenses Libertatibus et Franchisiis predictis hactenus rationabiliter usi sunt et gaudent. In cuius, &c. Teste Rege apud Westmonasterium, sexto die Decembris, Rot. Pat. Anno 10. Ric. II. p. 1. m. 6.

Bar. of St. Ives. P. 125. l. 28, who, read which Family. Formerly, in the Parish of Unilant, two Miles distant from the Town, Anno 12 Hen. IV, Pope Alexander V, by a Bull dated Nov. 5, Anno 1 Pontificat. granted Licence to build a Church in this Town, to the Honour of St. Ivia, which was done accordingly. It consists of a Body, two Isles, and a high Tower at the West End; here are two Chapels, one whereof, dedicated to St. Michael, stands on the Top of a great Rock, on a Peninsula; the other in a Strand near the Bay, which is dedicated to St. Leonard; but now both are converted to Block-Houses. The Town contains about 250 Houses, ordinary Buildings, the Streets irregular. The Corporation has a Mayor, 11 Aldermen, and 12 Burgesses. Members of Parliament are elected by Scott and Lort Men, in Number about one hundred and ninety. Near St. Leonard's is an old Fort, whereon are eighteen Guns, but only six mounted. Here is a Piere built to secure the Ships, which will contain about thirty. This Town had a Charter granted in Queen Elizabeth's Time, confirming one of King Henry the VIII's, in whose Reign Robert Walloughby, Lord Brook, then Lord thereof, obtain'd that Charter, as they report here.

Bar. of Fowey. P. 132. Rex, &c. Sciatis nos concessisse, &c. Priori et Conventui de Tywardreth, quod ipse et

Successores sui imperpetuum habebit unum Mercatum singulis Septimanis per Diem Luna, apud Manerium suum de Fawe in Comitatu Cornubiæ, et unam Feriam ibidem singulis Annis per tres Dies duraturam, viz. in Vigiliis, Die, et in Crastino Sancti Barri, et unam aliam Feriam ibidem singulis Annis, per alios tres dies duraturam, viz. in Vigiliis, in Die, et in Crastino Sanctæ Lucie Virginis, nisi Mercatum, &c. Dat. apud Westmonasterium 12 Die Maii. Cart. Anno 9 Edw. 2. pars unica.

" P. 133. This Borough was incorporated by King James the 2d, and Anno 2 Will. and Mary. Here are about 200 Houses. Number of Electors about 61. The Town built under a steep Hill, having no more Room than what it stands on. The Church has a Body and two Isles, with a high Tower at the West End, built by the Family of Treffry. The Corporation has a Mayor, eight Aldermen, four Burgesses, and a Portreeve, which last returns the Members of Parliament, because they will not loose their prescriptive Rights. 'Tis a Dutchy-Manor.

Bor. of St. Germans. P. 153. l. 6. and are Patrons, read as does the Patronage.

Bor. of St. Mawes " Is in the Parish of St. Just in Roseland. The Church lies two Miles distant from it. There is a Place call'd a Chapel near a Well in the Town, now dwelling Houses. Here are about 50 Houses, of one Street fronting the Sea. Number of Electors about 36, free Residents in the Town.

Bor. of Kellington. P. 171.

Rex, &c. Sciatis nos concessisse, &c. Reginaldo de Ferrariis, quod ipse et Harodes sui imperpetuum habeant unum Mercatum apud Manerium suum de Calweton, in Comitatu Cornubiæ, singulis Septimanis per Diem Mercurii, et unam Feriam ibidem singulis Annis per tres Dies duraturam, viz. in Vigiliis, in Die,

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die, et in crastino Nativitatis Beate Marie. Nisi Mercatum illud et Feria illa sint ad, nocumentum vicinorum, Mercatorum, et vicinarum Feriarum. Dat apud Wintoniam, 10 Die Novembris. Cart. Anno 52 Henry 3. m. 12.

It has a good broad Street with a Market-House, and contains about an hundred Houses, and near eighty Electors, being all the Inhabitants paying Scot and Lot.

P. 173. l. 2. dele the said; l. 3. bestows, read restores.

Edwardus Dei Gratia Rex Anglia, &c. Omnibus, &c. Inspecturus Cartam Edwardi Primogeniti nostri Ducis Cornubiæ, et Comititis Cestriæ in hac Verba: Edwardus Illustris Regis Angliæ, Primogenitus Dux Cornubiæ, et Comes Cestriæ, Omnibus, &c. Sciatis, quod cum Reginaldus de Ferrariis fuit seistus de Villa de Calyngton in Dominico suo, ut de Feodo, et prædictam Villam tenuerit de Dominis Comitibus Cornubiæ, qui pro Tempore fuerint; qui quidem Reginaldus de quibusdam Terris et tenementis in eadem Villam feoffavit, particulariter Warinum Prona, Johannem Julian, Simonem atte Hull, Willielmum atte Hull, Rogerum Peyntour, Rogerum de Calyngton, Robertum Lock, Johannem atte Heye, et Willielmum Maister, in Feodo simplici Tenendum de se et Hæredibus suis, per certa Servicia, &c. ac Nicolaus, Filius et Hæres ejusdem Reginaldi, qui dictam Villam postmodum tenuit feoffavit Willielmum Lange, Willielmum Fabrem, &c. in Feodo simplici de quibusdam Terris et Tenementis in eadem Villa; et Johannes Filius et Hæres ejusdem Nicolai, de quibusdam Terris et Tenementis in eadem Villa feoffavit. Willielmum atte Fenne, Johannem Wrayne, &c. Ac nos intelligentes tenementa illa esse alienata contra formam Statuti seisire fecimus, Servitia prædictorum Tenentium in Manum nostram ratione Domini nostri. Nos vero Gratiam specialem præfato Johanni facere volentes per finem quem fecit nobiscum, in Concilio nostro, concessimus, &c. prædicto Johanni de Ferrariis, Servitia et Redditus omnium Tenenti-

um pradietorum, &c. habendum, &c. ut parcella Villa de Calyngton, sibi et Hæredibus suis; et tenendum eosdem Redditus per Servitia, simul cum Residuo Villa de Calyngton, per eadem, et habet Servitia qua dictus Reginaldus de Ferrariis dictam Villam tenuit ante Feoffamentum prædictum, &c. Dat. apud Kenyngton, 20 Die Februarii, Anno Regni Regis Edwardi Ter-
 tii, &c. 13. Nos autem Concessionēs et Donationes prædictas ratas habentes, &c. præfato Johanni de Ferrariis, et Hæredibus suis concedimus et confirma-
 mus, &c. Teste meipso, apud Westmonasterium, 4 Die Maii, Anno Regni nostri 15, &c. Ex Auto-
 grapho penes Sam. Rolle, Arm.

County of CUMBERLAND.

P. 178. l. 5. *them* make *him*.

City of Carlisle. P. 193. "The present Charter, now in Force, is said to be granted, Anno 13, Chæ. 1.

Bor. of Cockermouth. P. 208. In the Margin, *Co. Aiar.* read *Craftino Animarum*; l. 23. *then*, make *that*.

P. 209. l. 28. *dele* *to*.

P. 211. l. 12. make a Semi-Colon after *West End*; l. 34. *containing*, make *contains*.

County of DERBY.

P. 221. l. 33. *Hen. 8.* at *West. Esqrs*, make *Esq*;

Tow. of Derby. P. 237. "The Charter of King Charles I, here spoken of, is dated July 11, Anno Regni 14.

County of DEVON.

P. 246. l. 23. *have*, read *shall*; l. 24. *touch'd*, read *touch*.

P. 247. l. 18. *so dignify'd*, make *dignify'd there-
 with*. City

City of Exeter. P. 259. l. 3. *hereof, make whereof; l. 31. dedicated to, read denominated from.*

P. 262. The Citation from *Doomsday-Book* is taken out of *Brady of Boroughs*, p. 5. and *Gale's Hist. Angl. Script.* Vol. 3. p. 665. and not from *Camden*, as put in the Margin. The Words, as they are translated into *English* by *Brady*, are thus: "In the City of *Exeter*, the King hath three hundred and fifty Houses, more or less, paying Rent in this City; forty eight lye in waste since the King came into *England*. The Burgesses of the City of *Exeter* have twelve Plough-Lands, without the City, which pay no Custom, or Rent, unless to the City it self.

And the *Latin* in *Gale*, which farther describes this City, are as follows.

Hæc Civitas Tempore Regis Edwardi, non geldebant, nisi quando Londonia, et Eboracum, et Wintonia geldebant, et hoc erat dimid. Markam Argenti, ad opus militare, quando Expeditio ibat per Terram, aut per Mare, serviebat hæc Civitas quantum 5 Hide Terra: Barnestapla vero, et Lidelford, et Totenais, serviebat quantum ipsa Civitas.

P. 268. l. 16. Restor'd to all his Father's Honours. "Tho' some Authors mention this; yet 'tis a Doubt, whether *Edward Courtney* ever was restor'd to the Marquisate of *Exeter*.

Bor. of Totness. P. 278. l. 5. *where, make from whence; l. 12. if any Truth in, read If ever he landed in this Kingdom.*

P. 279. dele, line the last: "For here were two distinct Chapels.

Bor. of Plymouth. P. 287.

Juratores presentant, quod Maneria de Sutton-Marketon, et Kyngestamerton, cum filo Aquæ de Tamar, sunt de antiquo Dominico Domini Regis de Corona, &c. Plita, Coron apud Exon in Octab. Sancti Martini, Anno 9. Incipien. 10 Edw. 1. Ro. 20. D. Jurato-

res presentant quod Villa de Southon est Prioris de Plympton, et clamat in eadem Assisam Panis et Cervisia, Mercatum, Nundinas, et Pillorium: Quasi, a quo Tempore predictis Libertatibus usus sit, dicunt quod per Spatium quindecim Annorum, et non ulterius, et hoc per Cartam Domini Henrici Regis, patris Regis nunc. Ibid. Ro. 21.

Bor. of Barnstaple. P. 320. l. 33. for Place put Cathedral.

P. 324. l. 12. after him, add Merchant.

P. 327. " P. 1. Edw. 6. at West. James Wilford, Knight, was Member for Barnstaple in this Parliament, as may be seen in Prynn's Parliamentary Register, Vol. 4. p. 1220.

Bor. of Plympton. P. 331. l. 24. dele with his Troop.

P. 326. l. 5. Bovington, make Berrington.

" A fourth Part of this Manour, Castle, and Borough is vested in George Treby, Esq; whose Name is to be added to the other Proprietors.

Bor. of Ashburton. P. 355. l. 4. Name, read Title; l. 15. when, make when.

P. 356. Rex, &c. Sciatis nos concessisse Waltero, Exoniæ Episcopo, quod ipse et Successores sui Episcopi ejusdem Loci imperpetuum habeant unum Mercatum singulis septimanis per Diem Sabbati, apud Manerium suum de Asperton in Comitatu Devonæ, et unam Feriam ibidem singulis Annis per tres Dies duraturam, viz. in Vigiliis, et in Die, et in Crastino Sancti Laurentii. Et quod habeant unum Mercatum singulis septimanis apud Manerium suum de Chuddeleg, &c. nisi Mercatum, &c. Dat. 12 Die Decembris. Cart. 3 Edw. 2. pars unica, m. 7. n. 21.

P. 358. l. 7. Enjoy, read Enjoys.

P. 359. put this † Mark with the Reference in the Margin, opposite to Par. 13. Cha. 2.

Bor. of Clifton-Dartmouth-Hardness. P. 361. l. 16. thence, read whence.

P. 364.

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P. 364. l. 1. make a Period after *Kingswere*, and *where*, make *Here*, (*viz. Dartmouth.*)

P. 365. l. 25. *Ordonance*, read *Ordinance*.

Bor. of Berealston. P. 372. l. 1. *As an Hamlet*, read *Is an Hamlet*.

Bor. of Tiverton. P. 379. l. 25. *and on his Fall*, read *about three Years after his Fall*.

P. 380. l. 12. for - - - *Colman, Esq;* read *Will. Coleman, Esq;*

P. 385. Par. 31. Cha. 2. *Samuel Ford, Esq;* read *Samuel Foot, Esq;*

County of DORSET.

P. 387. l. 17. *an*, read *and*.

P. 38, make 389.

P. 389. l. 23. after *Dorsetshire*, add in different *Places*; for our Historians recount more of these *Saxon Kings* bury'd in the Cathedral of *Winchester*, and Monastery of *Hyde* in that City, than they do in this County; tho' there is some Tradition, that *St. Ethelwold* was bury'd at *Cerne-Abby* in this County; and that King *Edward* the Elder's Monument was in *Glastonbury-Abby*, and not at *Winchester*.

P. 390, after *Conjecture*, make a Semi-colon, and add *and*.

P. 391. l. the last, *with*, read *by*.

P. 393. l. 11. 20000, read 8000 or 10000.

P. 395. l. 28. *who dy'd*, make *and dy'd*.

Tow. of P. 401. P. 6 *Edw. 4*, make *P. 7 Edw. 4*.

Pool. P. 404. l. 7. *sorted*, make *resorted*.

" The Town of *Pool* was never wall'd, but only
" fortify'd with two Dykes, which were levell'd
" when the Gate was pull'd down. Here is a
" large Ware-house, call'd the Town-Cellars, for
" putting in Merchants Goods.

P. 407.

P. 407. l. 11. "By a late Constitution, the
"Number 18, is augmented to 24.

P. 409. Rex, &c. Sciatis quod, &c. Concessimus,
&c. Majori Ballivis, et Burgenfibus et, Inhabitantibus
Villa de Pole, Hereditibus et Successoribus suis, quod
imperpetuum habeant unum Mercatum, tenendum sin-
gulis Septimanis per Diem Jovis, apud prædictam Vil-
lam; et duas Férias in eadem Villa singulis Annis
per sexdecim Dies duraturas, viz. unam earum Te-
nendam in Festo Sanctorum Apostolorum Philippi et
Jacobi, et per septem Dies proximos sequentes, et
alteram Tenendam in Die Animarum et per septem
Dies proximos sequentes, &c. Dat. &c. apud West-
monasterium 1 Die Julii. Cart. Anno 27 Hen. 6.
m. 18. n. 25.

P. 410. 6 Edw. 4. make 7 Edw. 4.

Bor. of Dorchester. P. 414. Rex, &c. Supplicaverunt
nobis Burgenfes nostri de Dorchester, in Comitatu
Dorset, ut cum ipsi eundem Burgum ad certos Ter-
minos Annorum per diversas Vices pro Viginti Libris
ad Scaccarium nostrum Annuatim reddendum, etc. ad
Firmam cernerunt, &c. Velimus Burgum illum eiisdem
Burgenfibus Concedere, &c. Comperimus quod non
est ad Damnum nec Præjudicium nostrum, seu aliorum
nec ad diminutionem Firmæ Comitatus prædicti, si Con-
cedamus præfatis Burgenfibus dictum Burgum Haben-
dum in forma prædicta una cum Libertatibus et Libe-
ris Consuetudinibus ac omnibus aliis ad Burgum di-
ctum Spectantibus. Et quod idem Burgus cum per-
tinentiis Valeat per Annum juxta verum Valorem e-
jusdem sexdecim Libras et quinque Solidos, &c. Con-
cessimus præfatis Burgenfibus Burgum prædictum, etc.
habendum, &c. sibi, hereditibus, et Successoribus suis, u-
na cum Libertatibus et Libens Consuetudinibus, &c. ad
feodi firmam imperpetuum Reddendo, &c. per Annum
ad Scaccarium nostrum viginti Libras, &c. Dat. &c.
apud Staunford 26 Die Junii. Cart. Anno 11
Edw. 3. m. 11. n. 26.

P. 417. l. 14. Monetiarii, make Monetarii.

P. 419.

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P. 419. l. 32. *Robert*, read *Robert*; l. the last, *Chabbs*, make *Chabbs*.

Ror. of Lyme-Regis. P. 427. l. 17. after *Liberi*ates, put
et.

P. 428. *Rex*, et. *Sciatis nos Concessisse*, &c. dilectis nobis *Burgensibus nostris Villa nostra de Lyme in Comitatu Dorset, dictam Villam de Lyme habendum, &c. cum Libertatibus Liberis Consuetudinibus, &c. ad Feodi Firmam Reddendo inde nobis Heredibus nostris per Annum ad Scaccarium nostrum triginta et duas Marcas, &c. Dat. apud Croyndon 26 Die Februarii, Cart. Anno 5 Edw. 3. m. 29. n. 76.*

Rex, &c. Sciatis, quod nos ex Relatione Burgensium et Inhabitantium Villa nostra de Lyme in Comitatu Dorset, super Casteram Maris sciunt, Jam accepimus, quod Villa nostra predicta per fluxus et refluxus Maris superinde sepius effluentis adeo destructa est et vastata, quod quovisplures Inhabitantium Villa predicta a hinc recesserunt, et vix aliqui ibidem inhabitare se disponunt. Quodque Portus ejusdem Ville per Tempestatem Maritimam et alia diversa Infortunia adeo consumptus et destructus existit, &c. Nos nedum premissa Considerantes immo etiam relevamen et commune Bonum Villa et Portus predicti, &c. Concessimus, &c. Burgensibus Villa predicta, &c. quod ipsi, Heredes et Successores sui, habeant Villam predictam cum omnibus Libertatibus et Francoficiis eidem Villa, seu Burgensibus ibidem qualivercunque spectantibus ad Feodi Firmam durante Termino sexaginta quinque annorum immediate post Datum inferiorum Litterarum sequentium Reddendo, &c. Annuatim pro Villa predicta et aliis premissis quinque Marcas, &c. Teste Rege apud Westmonasterium 20 Die Februarii. Pat. Anno 22 Edw. 4. pars 2. m. 11.

P. 429. in the Margin, *Prober*, make *Probat*.

P. 430. l. 11. *Englisb*, make *English*.

Ror. of Weymouth. P. 426. l. 5. at *Uphill*, read *Upway*, or in *Upway Parish*; l. 20. *are*, read *is*.

P. 441.

P. 441. l. 16. dele and.

P. 442. l. 3. *Present Representatives*, read *Representatives of the last Parliament for Weymouth and Melcombe*; for the Bridge was built by those Gentlemen, viz. Thomas Hardy, Kt. William Hardy, Esq; Reginald Marriot, Esq; and John Ward, Esq; which last Gentleman, made his Election to serve for Ludgershall, Co. Wilts.

Bor. of Melcombe-Regis. P. 447. Abbas de Cerne, clamat habere in Manerio suo de Melecumbe unum Mercatum qualibet Septimana per Diem Martis, et unam Feriam quolibet Anno per duos Dies duraturam, viz. in vigiliis et in Die Translationis Sancti Thomae Martyris per Cartam Domini Henrici patris Regis nunc. clamat habere Wreccum Maris per omnes Terras suas super Mare, viz. in Melecumbe, &c. Et clamat ibidem de Hominibus suis in Decenna Inhabitantibus unum Denarium a tempore a quo non extat Memoria, &c. Plita, Forinseca, Anno 8 Edw. 1. R. 30.

Juriores presentant quod Burgus de Melecumbe est Membrum pertinet ad Baroniam Abbatis de Cerne. quam idem Abbas tenet de Domino Rege in Capite per Servitium unius Militis. Plita. Jur. et Affic. Anno 8 Edw. 1. R. 12. D.

Dominus Rex mandavit Justitiariis suis hic Breve suum in hac Verba Edwardus Dei Gratia, &c. Johanni de Mettingham, et Sociis suis Justitiariis Litterariis in Comitatu Dorset, Salutem Cum dudum per Cartas nostras Concesserimus Burgensibus et Homi- nibus dilecte Consortis nostre Alianore Regina Anglie de Melecumbe et Lyme, habeant Libertates, viz. quod ipsi de Tenuris suis propriis quas habent infra Villas predictas, aut super transgressionibus ad invicem inter eosdem Homines et Burgenses in eisdem Villis factis non implacent vel implacentur extra Villas predictas, prout in Cartis predictis videre poteritis contineri Nos ipsos Burgenses Libertatibus illis

omnes et gaudere volentes, vobis mandamus, quod aliquem
de vobis associato per vos sibi ex parte dictæ Consortis
nostræ aliquo discreto Milite, partium illarum assignato
ad Placita super Tenuris et Transgressionibus hujus-
modi ibidem præstandum, et prout iustum fuerit ter-
minandum iuxta Tenorem Cartarum earundem. Teste
Edmundo Comite Cornubiæ, &c. Plita. Jur. & Assis.
coram Johanne de Mestingham apud Schireburne, in
Com. Dorset. in Octab. Se. Trinitat. Anno 16 Edw.
1. R. 20 D.

Bor. of Bridport. P. 463. l. 9. *Anglica*, read *Anglia*;
tis in *Leland* only *Angl.*

P. 464. *Villata de Bridport clamat habere seisinam de Theobaldo Calagio in Maritimis de Bridport,*
pro quibus *Burgenses* reddunt Domino Regi ad Scac-
carium viginti Solidos, ad Festum Sancti Michaelis et
clament habere Lapidem et Arenam in eisdem Mari-
timis per totum ubi Mare fuit et retroit, de quibus
Seisinam habuerunt et Homines prædictæ Villæ et An-
ecessores sui prædictis Libertatibus plene usi sunt.
Plita forinseca Anno 8 Edw. 1. Rot. 31.

P. 467. P. 6. Edw. 4. make P. 7. Edw. 4.

Bor. of Shaftesbury. P. 472. l. last and first of P. 473.
1626 make 1036.

P. 475. l. 32. *there*, read *thereunto*.

P. 476. l. 32. *Baxley*, read *Boxley*.

Bor. of Wareham. P. 487. l. 11; 1638, read 1368.

P. 494. P. 12. 2. *George*, make *George*.

Bor. of Corfe Castle. P. 497. "The Electors of the
"Members of Parliament are increas'd, by some
"late Practices, to near 200, or upwards; the
"Right being allow'd to be in Burgage-Tenures.
"This Town consists of two Streets, indifferent-
"ly well built.

P. 500. l. 3, after *Borough*, add *at first incorpo-*
rated.

P. 504. l. 14. *Keswich*, read *Keswick*.

An Extract of the Charter being at last come to my Hands, I here subjoin it, as sent to me.

“ Charles the Second, by the Grace of God,
 “ King of *England, &c.* Greeting, WHEREAS we
 “ have seen a Charter, or Letters Patent of the Lady
 “ *Elizabeth*, late Queen of *England*, reciting an
 “ Enrolment of some Letters Patent of the said
 “ Queen’s, made in the eighteenth Year of her
 “ Reign, wherein she sets forth, that *Christopher*
 “ *Hatton*, Esq; Captain of her Guard, lately had,
 “ by her Gift and Grant to him, and his Heirs,
 “ (*inter alia*) the Castle of *Corfe*, otherwise call’d
 “ *Corfe Castle*, in the County of *Dorset*, with all
 “ its Liberties, Privileges, Preheminences, Com-
 “ modities, Regalities, and Appurtenances; and
 “ also the Lordship and Manor of *Corfe*, with all
 “ Rights, &c. in the Isle of *Parbeck*, in her said
 “ County of *Dorset*; which Castle is antient, and
 “ most fitly situate for a Bullwark and Defence of
 “ the said Island, against her foreign Enemies; and
 “ the Keeper and Constable of the said Castle; and also
 “ the Mayor and Barons of the Borough of *Corfe*, in
 “ the said County of *Dorset*, for the Time being;
 “ and the Inhabitants of the same Borough and
 “ Island aforesaid, Time out of Mind, have sever-
 “ rally had and enjoy’d certain and diverse Rights,
 “ Liberties, Privileges, Freedoms, and Exemptions,
 “ as well by Prescription, as on Account and Pre-
 “ tence of Charters and Confirmations by her Pro-
 “ genitors, Kings of *England*; which Grants ha-
 “ ving for many Years been disallow’d, and not
 “ confirm’d by her, or others, her Progenitors,
 “ Kings of *England*, as well the said Constable,
 “ as the aforesaid Mayor, Barons, and Inhabitants
 “ of the Island aforesaid, lately have often been
 “ interrupted in using and enjoying the same Li-
 “ berties; Wherefore, the same *Christopher Hatton*,
 “ and the Mayor, and Burgesses of the said Borough,
 “ and the Inhabitants of the said Island, having
 “ humbly

"humbly besought, in this Behalf, her Royal Fa-
 "vour. She therefore, at the Request aforesaid,
 "and by the Relation of many credible Persons,
 "understanding the aforesaid Liberties and Privi-
 "leges to be for the common Profit of the *Borough*
 "and *Island* aforesaid, as also necessary for the
 "Government and Defence of the same against
 "the common Enemy; and also in Consideration
 "of the good, true, and faithful Service to her,
 "heretofore many Ways done, by the aforesaid
 "*Christopher Hatton*, GRANTS, That he, and his
 "Heirs, and Officers, and also the Tenants and
 "Residents of this said *Island*, may make Peram-
 "bulation for bounding their Liberties, and place
 "those Bounds anew at pleasure; and that the Isle
 "of *Purbeck*, and the Liberties and Precincts of the
 "same, shall be for ever exempt from the Juris-
 "diction of any Admiral of *England* whatsoever;
 "neither may he exercise any Thing belonging to
 "his Office there; or distrain any Person in their
 "Goods; nor any Bayliff or Servant of the same
 "*Christopher Hatton* be compell'd to answer to any
 "Plea, to any Admiral whatsoever. And that
 "the said *Christopher Hatton*, and his Heirs, ha-
 "ving and possessing the said *Castle* and *Lordship*,
 "be *Admirals* within the same, and execute that Of-
 "fice within themselves; and that all Debts, Con-
 "tracts, Transgressions, and all other Matters and
 "Offences, ought to be heard and determin'd
 "within the said *Island*; and the *Bayliffs* and
 "*Deputies* of the said *Christopher Hatton*, and his
 "Heirs, may take Cognizance of the same; and
 "that he the said *Christopher Hatton*, and his
 "Heirs, be free from all Duties and Payments,
 "for any Thing brought into the *Island*, for the
 "Defence of the said *Castle*. And that he be
 "Governor of *Bronksey Castle*, and may take Mu-
 "sters of all the Inhabitants of the *Island*, at the
 "Time appointed for doing the same in the Coun-
 "ty of *Dorset*. And that the *Mayor*, *Barons*, and

" *Inhabitants* of the *Borough* of *Corfe*, may use and
 " enjoy all Rights, Customs, Liberties, and Privile-
 " ges, which have been heretofore us'd by any *Mayor*,
 " *Barons*, and *Inhabitants*; and that the *Mayor*, *Bar-*
 " *ons*, and *Inhabitants* may have the like Priviledges
 " as the *Inhabitants* of any of the *Cinque Ports*; and
 " that they be exempt from serving on *Juries*, except
 " for Business arising within the said *Island*, or for
 " their Lands without the *Island*. NOW, at the
 " Request of the *Mayor*, *Barons*, and *Inhabitants* of
 " *Corfe*, the same are exemplify'd, and further
 " Privileges granted, viz. That they be for ever
 " free from all Toll and Custom, throughout the
 " Dominions; and that they may make Laws
 " for the Profit of the People, and punish the
 " Breakers of the same; and that the *Mayor* and
 " *Barons* may record their Liberties and free Cu-
 " stoms before any Justice; and that the *Mayor*
 " (or his Deputy, in case of Sicknes) and the last
 " preceding *Mayor* be *Justices of the Peace*, and
 " may punish Offenders; and that they, with any
 " one *Justice of the Peace*, in the County of *Dorset*,
 " or any two of them, whereof the *Mayor* or his De-
 " puty to be one, may hold the petty Sessions within
 " the said *Borough*, as often as Business require the
 " Execution of Justice; and that the *Inhabitants* be
 " not summon'd to any petty Sessions without the *Bo-*
 " rough. And that the *Mayor*, and his Deputy,
 " and the preceding *Mayor*, before they be ad-
 " mitted to the Office of Justice, do take an Oath
 " to execute that Office faithfully, in and through
 " all Things, as the *Justices of the County of Dor-*
 " *set*, from Time to Time do take, and that be-
 " fore the *Barons* of the said *Borough*, who have
 " Power and Authority to administer the same:
 " And in case of Sicknes, or Absence of the
 " *Mayor*, one of the *Barons* of the said *Borough*
 " may be constituted his Deputy, and be a *Justice*
 " of the *Peace*; or if the *Mayor* shall think it not
 " necessary to inhabit the *Borough*, the said Deputy
 " may

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" may perform the Office of *Mayor*, as fully as if
 " the *Mayor* were present, The said *Deputy* having
 " first taken the Oath aforesaid before the *Barons*;
 " and that any two, or more of the *Barons*, may
 " administer the Oaths to such *Deputy Mayor*, as
 " the Case requires. And that no *Bayliffs* of any
 " *Sheriff* of the County of *Dorset*, may take or ar-
 " rest any Person within the *Borough*, without
 " Leave of the *Mayor*, or his *Deputy*, first had and
 " obtain'd. And that *Edward Duckcomb*, Esq; be
 " the present *Mayor*, *Edward Osborn*, call'd Lord
 " *Latimer*, *Jerome Banks*, *Anthony Etricke*, Esqrs;
 " *Anthony Forsman*, *William Frampton*, *Philip Bayly*,
 " *Nathaniel Smith*, Sen. and *James Summers*, Gen-
 " tlemen, be constituted the present modern and
 " respective *Barons*. And that nothing in these
 " Presents be prejudicial in any Thing to the Heirs
 " and Assigns of *Sir Ralph Banks*, late of *Kingston-*
 " *Hall*, deceas'd. And that no *Mayor*, *Deputy*, and
 " *Barons*, be admitted to the Execution of their
 " Office, before they have taken the Oaths of O-
 " bedience and Supremacy. Dated at *Westmin-*
 " *ster Feb. 12.* in the 31st Year of our Reign.

County of DURHAM.

" *P. 510.* *Barnard*, eldest Son of *Guy Balliol*,
 " (who came in with the *Conqueror*) built a Castle
 " in this County, which he call'd after his own
 " Name, *Barnard's Castle*, and made *Burgeses*
 " there, and granted them such Immunities as
 " *Richmond* then had.

N.B. If this Place is now incorporated, here must
 be reckon'd five *Boroughs*.

City of Durham. This vacant Page giving Leave to insert the Names of the Bishops of *Durham*, bury'd in the Chapter-House, I shall here add them. They were, *Inprimis*,

Aldunus, 23d Bishop, who dy'd Anno 1017.

Edmundus, 24th Bishop.

Walterus, 28th Bishop, and his Successors.

Will. Carilephus.

Ranulphus Lambard.

Galfridus Rufus.

Will. de Sancta Barbara.

Hugh Pudsey.

Philip de Poitiers.

Richard de Marisco, being the 29th, 30th, 31st, 32d, 33d, 34th, and 35th Bishops.

Here were likewise interr'd,

Nicolas de Farnham.

Walter de Kirkham.

Robert Stickbull, and

Robert de Insula, the 37th, 38th, 39th, and 40th Bishops; though *Goodwin* says the first of these,

viz. *Nicolas de Farnham*, was bury'd in the Cathedral; but this is a Mistake, for the first Bishop bury'd out of the Chapter-House, as already shewn, was *Anthony Beke*, the 41st Bishop; since when, all the Bishops of *Durham* interr'd there, have been deposited in the Cathedral, except that *Rich. de Kello*, the 42d Bishop, is by some said to lay in the Chapter-House, with his fourteen Predecessors aforesaid. The Inscriptions on their Brasses, contain'd little or nothing but their Names. Here was also bury'd with them

Turgotus, one of the 1st Priors in this Monastery, Bishop of *St. Andrews* in *Scotland*; and near the Door was this Inscription, for an unknown Person.

——— *Natus jacit hic Robertus humatus,
Legibus armatus Rogo, sit sanctis Sociatus. Amen.*

F I N I S.



APPENDIX

TO THE

First Volume.

UPON making Collections for the Continuance of this Work, several Amendments occurring to my first Volume, I thought fit to insert them here; and as this Method is propos'd thro' the Whole, so I hope Gentlemen will, upon perusing these Essays, towards a more perfect Account of Places, be pleas'd to communicate what Additions or Corrections they shall see necessary to make it so; and by supplying me with timely Materials, save me the Trouble of such Amendments for the future.

N. B. That this being printed separate, and to be had upon calling for, by those who have bought, or shall buy only the first Part, I hope that the Satisfaction hereby intended, may atone for what Errors I have committed; and my Readiness to revoke them, bespeak the Candour of the Reader, and induce him to judge favourably of my Performance.

County of BEDFORD.

P. 7. In Bishop Burnet's 3d Vol. of the History of the Reformation, John Gostwick, Kt. occurs one of the Representatives for that County, Anno 31 Hen. 8. A P. 8.

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P. 8. P. 13. Cha. 2. On the summoning this Parliament, *Robert Lord Bruce* was return'd one of the Knights of this Shire, and not *John Nappier, Bart.* who was elected in his Place, made Earl of *Chilbury*.

Tow. of Bedford. P. 10. Tho' I follow'd the learned *Camden* in the Derivation of the Name of *Bedford*, I am since rather inclinable to derive it from the Saxon Name *Beba*; and of this Opinion is *Leland*, who tells us, in his *Collectan.* Vol. 4. p. 12. "The People of *Bedford* conjecture its Name deriv'd from *Buda* or *Beda*, a petty King:

P. 10. Besides the five Churches here mention'd, there was anciently another Church of All-Hallows, and a Chapel of *St. Thomas the Martyr*, on the Bridge, and these Religious Houses, *Caldwell Priory*, and *St. Loes*.

P. 13. The Corporation consists of a Mayor, two Bayliffs, twelve Aldermen, two Chamberlains, &c. The Manor of the Borough, belongs to the Corporation by a very old Charter, as may be seen in *Madox's History of the Exchequer*, p. 273. who informs us, "That, Anno 1166, 13 Hen. 2, the Burgesses of *Bedford* find in forty Marks, to have the same Liberties as the Burgesses of *Oxford* had. And the same Author, p. 250, says, Anno 1226. 11 Hen. 3, "The Borough of *Bedford* was granted to these Burgesses, in Fee-farm, for 40*l.* per Ann. by this Charter,

R. Fin. Anno 11 Hen. 3. m. 6. Rex Baronibus suis de Scaccario, &c. Salutem. Sciatis nos concessisse, et per Cartam nostram confirmasse Burgensibus nostris de *Bedford* Burgum de *Bedford*, cum Pertinentiis suis, habendum & tenendum de nobis et Hæreditibus nostris, ad Feodi Firmam pro 40*l.* reddendo per Annum ad Scaccarium nostrum, per manum suam, pro omni Servitio, viz. ad Pascha 20*l.* et ad Festum Sancti Michaelis 20*l.* Et ideo vobis mandamus, quod hanc Concessionem nostram irrotulari et observari faciatis. Teste Rege apud Westm. 20 Die Aprilis. These

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These Burgesſes claim'd ſeveral Liberties, as appears in the Pleas before the King's Juſtices, *Itinerant. Anno 15 Edm. I. at Bedford.*

Major et Communitas Villa Bedford ſummoniti fuerunt ad reſpondendum Domino Regi, de Placito quo Warranto clamant habere Gildam Mercatoriam, &c. Et quod ſint quieti de Theoloneo, Pontagio, Stallagio, Laſtagio, et de Paſſagio, per totam Angliam et Nor-manniam, per Terram et per Aquam, et per Ripam Maris Bilaund. Et quod ipſi habeant omnes alias Conſuetudines per totam Angliam, et Libertates, et Leges ſuas quas habent communes cum Civibus Regis de Oxeneford. Et quod faciant cum eis Mercaturam ſuam communiter infra London et extra et in omnibus aliis Locis. Et quod non placitentur extra Bur-gum Bedford de nullo, unde calumpniati ſint; ſed de quocumque in Placitum ponantur ſe diſractionentur ſecundum Leges et Conſuetudines Civium Regis Oxoniae et hoc Bedfordia, et non alibi; et habere Sok et Sak, et Thol et Them, et Inſangentheſ, cum omnibus aliis Libertatibus et Liberis, Conſuetudinibus & Quietantiis ſuis. Et Returna Brevium Regis de Summonitione Scaccarii noſtri, et aliorum Brevium Villa Bedford, et Libertates ejuſdem tangentium, ita quod nullus Vicecomes, aut alius Ballivus, vel Miniſter Regis, intromittent ſe de aliquibus Summonitionibus, Attachiamentis, Diſtrictionibus, aut aliquibus aliis in prædicta Villa faciendis, niſi per Deſectum eorundem Burgenſium et Hæredum ſuorum. Et quod ipſi Burgeſes permanum ſuam propriam ſingulis annis reſpondeant ad Scaccarium Regis de Firma Debiti et Auxilii prædictam Villam Bedford conſingente. Et habere Coronatorem de ſeiſiſ, de Electione ſua propria, &c.

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P. 22. Francis Lord Norris, of Ricot, created, Anno 1620, Earl of Berks, who dy'd Anno 1621, lies bury'd in Engleſeild Church near Reading, under a fair Monument.

P. 28. Anno 1 Jac. I, Henry Nevil, and Francis Knolles, Kts. were Representatives for this County. B. Bor.

Bor. of New-Windsor. The Parish-Church of *Windsor*, which is dedicated to *St. John Baptist*, was impropriated to *Waltham-Abbey*, to which Convent it was given by King *Richard the 1st*, as may be seen in *Dug. Mon. Angl. Vol. 2. p. 18.* 'Tis but an ordinary Building, tho' large. The Lord *Massham*, chosen Member for this Borough, in the Parliament summon'd *Anno 9* of Queen *Anne*, made here a Peal of eight Bells. The Collegiate Church within the Castle, is dedicated to the Honour of *St. George*, and *St. Edward the Confessor*; 'twas founded *An. 22 Edw. III.* for a *Custos*, twelve *Secular Canons*, thirteen *Priests*, or *Vicars*, four *Clerks*, six *Choristers*, and twenty six *Alms-Knights*, besides other Officers.

Bor. of Reading. P. 42. l. 16. The Draught of *Reading*, in *Speed's Maps*, is plac'd by him in its neighbouring County of *Buckingham*, because there was not Room in the *Berkshire Map*.

Besides the three *Parish-Churches*, and the *Abbey*, (whose Revenues were valu'd, at the Suppression, according to *Speed*, at 2116l. 3s. 9d. per Annum.) There was an *House of Grey Fryers* on the North Side of *Castle-street*, and another Religious House, still known by the Name of the *Priory*, at the upper End of *Old-Street* and *Gutter-Lane*.

Bor. of Wallingford. P. 55. l. the last. Besides the seven Churches mention'd here, I have met with a Church dedicated to *St. Lucian*, which, with the Church of *St. Leonard*, belong'd to *St. Fridswid's Priory* in *Oxford*, as 'tis seen in *Dug. Mon. Angl. Vol. 1. p. 585.* And the same Author tells us, *Vol. 3. pag. 1. part II.* that *Trinity*, *St. John's*, *St. Martin's*, and *St. Mary's Churches*, were given to the Convent of the *Trinity* here, and *Allhallows* to the Collegiate Church of *St. Nicholas* in *Wallingford*; which was endow'd, at the Dissolution, with 147l. 8s. per Annum, and founded by *Edmund Earl of Cornwall*, *An. 10 Edw. I.* The Convent of

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the Holy Trinity, was a Cell to St. *Alban's Abbey*.

Bor. of Abingdon. The Abbey-Church here, which was dedicated to St. *Mary*, was endow'd at the Suppression, with 1876*l.* 10*s.* 9*d.* per Annum, according to *Dugdale*, 2042*l.* 2*s.* 8*d.* $\frac{3}{4}$ per Annum, according to *Speed*. See my Account of this and Reading Abbeys, with a Catalogue of their respective Abbats, lately printed in the 6th Volume of *Leland's Collectanea*, from p. 183. to p. 199.

P. 69. *Oliver Hinde*, should rather be *Oliver Hide*, Esq;

County of BUCKS.

P. 79. In the Parliament Anno 39 Eliz. at West. *John Fortescue*, Kt. was the other Representative of this County.

Tow. of Bucks. P. 83. l. 27. omitted the Word *Mothers*; for tho' he is said to be her Sister's Son in *Dugdale's Baronage*, &c. it is a great Mistake, it should be her Mother's Sister's Son.

P. 84. l. 33. The Chapel in this Town, now converted into a Free-School, was dedicated to St. *John Baptist*; it seems, by the Arms painted on some Parts of it, to have been built by *John Ruding*, Prebend of *Bucks*, who also built the Chancel of the Prebendal Church here, temp. *Edw. IV*; in whose Reign *Ric. Fowler* built the great South Cross-Isle, still known by his Name, in which was this Inscription, as I have seen in an ancient MS. *Ora te pro Animabus Domini Richardi Fowler, Cancellarii Domini Regis Edwardi IV, Ducatus sui Lancastriae, et Domina Johanna Uxoris ejus*. Helike-wise, by his Will prov'd at *Lambeth*, 19 Nov. 1477, provided for the perfecting of St. *Rumwald's Isle*, begun to be new made by him; and order'd a new Tomb; or Shrine, to be curiously wrought for that Saint, &c. In this Parish-Church of St. *Peter* and St. *Paul* at *Bucks*, (wherein were Gilds of the Trinity, and our Lady) was founded a Chantry call'd *Barton's Chantry*; a long Account of which, &c. may be seen in the 4th Part of Sir *Edw. Coke's Re-*

ports, Anno 1 Jac. I. p. 96, under *Adams's* and *Lambert's* Case.

This aforesaid Chapel of *St. John Baptist*, was call'd *Matthew Stratton's Chantry*, being founded, I suppose, by *Matthew Stratton*, Arch-Deacon of *Bucks*, who dy'd about the Year 1268, and appointed his Body to be bury'd in the Abby-Church of *Oseney*. The Lands of this Chantry were appropriated, some Time before the Dissolution, to the College of *St. Thomas of Acon*, now *Mercers Chapel* in London. The Account of its being founded by *Thomas à Becket*, mention'd in *Camden's Britannia*, p. 284, is, as I apprehend, altogether groundless.

Here are, in this Borough, four incorporated Companies, viz. the *Merchant-Tailors*, the *Tanners*, the *Butchers*, and *Mercers*, each of which have their respective Wardens.

Bor. of Chipping-Wicombe. P. 93. *Johannes, Dei Gratia, &c. Sciatis nos dedisse dilecto et fideli nostro Alano Basset totum Manerium de Wicombe, excepto eo quod Robertus de Veteri Ponte ibi tenuit, habendum et tenendum prædicto Alano et Hæredibus suis, &c. reddendo inde annuatim ad Scaccarium nostrum 20l. &c. insuper Feodum unius Militis, &c. Testibus Comite Willielmo Mareſcallo, Willielmo Comite Arundeliæ, &c. Dat, &c. apud Aurnal, 12 Die Junii, Anno Regni nostri 5 Cart. Anno 5. Johannis, n. 210.*

P. 95. The Catalogue of Mayors in the Town-Books, begins Anno 14 Edw. 4. and is from thence continu'd to this Time.

Here are two Fairs; one the 24th of June, and the other the 24th of September.

The *Bower Chantry*, founded in the Church of *All-Hallows* in *Wicombe*, was endow'd with a Stipend from *Godſtow Abby*; and near adjoining to it, was a Chapel of the Trinity and our Lady, call'd *le Charnel*, founded by one *John Talworth*, some Time Burgeſs of *Wicombe*, temp. Edw. 3. and at the End

of the Town, was an Hospital of St. John Baptist, where is now the Free-School.

Bor. of Aylesbury. P. 106. The Beginning of *Aylesbury Charter*, is as follows: *Regina, &c. Omnibus ad quos, &c. Salutem. Cum dilecti et fideles Subditi Villa nostra de Aylesbury in Comitatu nostro Bucks, pro Regimine et eorum meliore Gubernatione, et pro Melioratione ejusdem Villa, humiliter nos supplicaverunt, ut Villam illam et Inhabitantes ejusdem incorporari, et Corpus Corporatum de uno Ballivo, et Aldermanno, ac Burgensibus, facere et creare dignaremur, Sciatis quod nos Petitioni prædicta gratiose annuentes et considerantes, quod prædicti Subditi nostri, de quorum Fidelitate et Circumspectione erga nos, nedum ex Relatione Nobilium, Magnatum, et Fidelium Subditorum nostrorum, verumetiam, &c. de Gratia nostra, ac ex certa Scientia, et mero Motu, nostris concessimus, ac per presentes pro nobis Heredibus, et Successoribus nostris, quantum in nobis est, concedimus Inhabitantibus dicta Villa de Aylesbury, quod dicta Villa de Aylesbury de cætero sit et erit liber Burgus, corporatus in Re, Facto, et Nomine, de uno Ballivo, et Aldermannis; ac Burgensibus realliter et ad plenum erigimus, facimus, & creamus per Præsentes: Et quod Inhabitantes ejusdem Burgi de cætero sint et erunt unum Corpus corporatum et politicum, et una Communitas in Re, Facto, et Nomine, habeantque Successionem perpetuam; et quod Inhabitantes ejusdem Burgi nunc, et pro Tempore existente, per Nomen Ballivi, et Aldermannorum, ac Burgensium Burgi de Aylesbury de cætero sint et erunt, &c.*

The Church of *Aylesbury*, being a Prebendal Church, is built in the Shape of a Cross, with the Steeple in the Middle; in it was a Chantry founded by *John Singleton*, *John Baldwin*, Senior, and *John Baldwin*, Junior, Esquires, and others: Here was also in this Town, an Hospital of St. John and St. Leonard, as may be seen in the *Monasticon Anglicanum*, Vol. 2. p. 396. The Fryery here spoken of, was founded by the Butlers, Earls of Ormond.

P. 112. In the Margin, *Robert Hare*, Kt. should be *Robert Carr*, Kt.

Bor. of Agmondesham. P. 115. l. 24. See of *Lincoln*, is a Mistake for See of *Ely*.

P. 117. l. 1. Here were two *Sir Will. Drakes*; he that built the Town-Hall, was only Knighted; he was Nephew and Heir to *Sir Will. Drake*, Kt. and *Bart.* who purchas'd this Manor, and dy'd in the Year 1669, unmarried, as I since learn'd. This Mistake had not pass'd unobserv'd, but that the MS. Account was not rectify'd at *Agmondesham*, whither 'twas sent before Publication. The Market here held on *Tuesday*, was observ'd 'till about an hundred Years ago on *Friday*, according to the original Charter, of which this is an Extract.

Johannes Dei Gratia, &c. Sciatis nos dedisse, &c. Gaulfrido filio Petri Comiti Essexiæ, et Hæredibus suis post eum, quod habeant singulis Annis unam Feriam apud Agmondesham per duos dies duraturam scilicet in Vigiliis Nativitatis Beatæ Mariæ, et in Die ejusdem Festi, et singulis Ebdomodis, unum Mercatum ibidem per unum Diem, scilicet Die Veneris; Quare volumus, &c. quod idem Gaulfridus, et Hæredes sui post eum prædictam Feriam et Mercatum habeant imperpetuum, &c. Testibus Willielmo Marefcallo Comite Pembrochiæ, Galfrido filio Petri Comite Essex, Willielmo Briwer, Hugone de Nevill, &c. Dat. apud Merleberg 9. Die Aprilis, Anno Regni nostri 2. Cart. Anno 2. Johan. p. 1. n. 44.

Bor. of Wendover. P. 124. l. the last, *The Jointures*, read *Part of the Jointures*.

Bor. of Great Marlow. P. 130. l. 31. after *her*, add *Husbands*.

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P. 138. l. 17. after *get*, add *themselves*.

P. 147. *Levin Bennet*, read *Levinus Bennet*.

Univ. of Cambridge. P. 152. The Number of Fellows of *St. John's*, is 54.

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P. 153. The Number of Electors for the University, is about 340. In the disputed Election, ten Years ago, there voted upwards of 300, that being the largest Poll ever known.

Upon the first Summons of Burgesſes for this University, *An. 1603*, in King James's first Parliament, *Henry Mowtlow*, L. L. D. ſate Member of Parliament with *Bernard Gouche*, L. L. D. He was ſome Time Fellow of King's College, and Publick Orator. Dr. *Gouche* was, *An. 1604*, elected Maſter of *Magdalen* College: He ſate in all the other Parliaments of King James I. In thoſe *An. 18* and *21*, I have ſeen authentick Evidence of; and have pretty good Authority to ſuppoſe him choſen *An. 12. Jac. I.*, at which Time *Miles Sandes*, Kt. ſome Time Fellow of *Queen's* College, was the other Member; and *Robert Naunton*, Fellow of *Trinity* College, was elected with him, *Anno 18* and *21. Jac. I.*

The Colleges and Halls which the other Members belong'd to, (tho' not enter'd in the Indentures yet) ſuppoſing they would be a Curioſity to the Reader, I put them down here.

CHARLES I.

P. 154. *Albert Moreton*, Kt. was Fellow of *Queen's* College, and Secretary to the Queen of *Bohemia*. *John Cook*, Principal Secretary, (of whom ſee an Account in the Lord *Clarendon's* History of the Rebellion) was of *Trinity* College; and *Tho. Eden*, L. L. D. who ſerv'd with him, was Maſter of *Trinity* Hall. *Henry Lucas*, Eſq; was Member of *St. John's* College.

CHARLES II.

General *Monk*, return'd for this University *Anno 12 Cha. II.* made his Election for *Devonſhire*, but no new Choice happen'd; his Name was, *pro forma*, enter'd of *Trinity*-College, but he never belong'd to that Society. *Tho. Crouch* was Fellow of the ſaid College of *Trinity*, and University-Proctor. *Richard Fanshaw*, Bart. was of *Jeſus* College; on his Death, which happen'd *An. 1666*, at *Madrid* in *Spain*, he was ſucceeded by Sir *Charles Wheeler*, formerly one of the ejected Fellows of King's College. *Tho. Ekton*, Kt. elected in the four enſuing Parliaments, was Doctor of Laws, and Maſter of *Trinity*-Hall; in the firſt of them ſerv'd *James Vernon*, Eſq; and in the ſecond Parliament, *Will. Temple*, Bart. of *Emanuel* College, was elected; and, in the two others, that eminent

gent Antiquary Robert Brady, M. D. Master of Gonville and Caius College.

WILL & MARY.

In this Reign Robert Sayer, Kt. of Magdalen College, Isaac Newton, A. M. Fellow of Trinity College, Edward Finch, Esq; of Christ College, George Osenden, L. L. D. Master of Trinity Hall; the Hon. Hen. Boyle, Esq; enter'd of Trinity College, to qualify him for his Election, and Anthony Hamond, Esq; Member of St. John's College, were Representatives for Cambridge-University.

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In the three first Parliaments of Queen Anne, the Hon. Arthur Annesley, Esq; Fellow of Magdalen College, was elected Burgeſſ; he ſerv'd in the two laſt of them with the Hon. Dixie Windſor, Esq; Fellow of Trinity College, who was elected Anno 9 & 12 Anne, with Tho. Paſke, L. L. D. Fellow of Clare Hall.

Town of Cambridge. P. 157. l. 13. dedicated to St. Sepulchre, read dedicated to the Honour of the Holy Sepulchre.

N. B. There being ſeveral Synagogues built in Cities and great Towns, by the Jews, for the Exercife of their Religion; theſe, when they came into the Chriſtians Poſſeſſion, on the Banishment of the Jews, were generally conſecrated to the Honour, &c. of the holy Sepulchre at Jeruſalem; whence they are commonly call'd St. Sepulchres Churches.

County of CHESTER.

1 Jac. I. Roger Aſton, Kt. was return'd Member with Thomas Holcroſt, Kt. 18 Jac. I. William Beeſton, Kt. Ric. Groſvenor, Kt. were choſen for this County.

City of Cheſter. P. 181. Parl. An. 39 Eliz. Peter Warburton, Will. Brock, Esq; elected for this City; as were An. 18 Jac. I. Edw. Whitley, Esq; Recorder, and John Ratcliff, Alderm.

See an Account of theſe five Counties, lately publiſh'd in ſome ſmall Quarto's, entitled, *Magna Britania et Hibernia Antiqua & Nova, &c.*

There is alſo engraven, in four Sheets of Imperial Paper, by one William Jackſon, the Arms of the Cities, Corporations, and Boroughs, with an Account of their Markets, Fairs, Right of Election of Members, &c. But as this is erroneous in many Particulars, and defective in others, I have, in ſome Parts of my Deſign, corrected and amended the ſame; otherwiſe, I have altogether omitted treating of Places, in this Reſpect, as to the trading Account of them, and Blazonry of their Arms.

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